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OTTAWA NOT INFORMED OF ALLEGED TREATY

Rumored Offer of Yukon Com-
missionership to Dr.
Thompson

HON. FRANK OLIVER TRAPPED

Senator Macdonald Suggests British
Columbia's Administration
of the Yukon

Ottawa, April 9.—The government has had no information of any kind in regard to an Anglo-American treaty. Senator Lougheed questioned the government in the senate tonight, and Hon. Mr. Scott replied that he knew nothing of the matter.

It is reported around the lobbies to night that the Yukon commissionership will be offered to Dr. Thompson, M. P.

The commons had a spirited debate today on the immigration policy of the government. Armand Lavergne moved an amendment against the bonus system and condemning the government for not paying more attention to France and Belgium.

Hon. Mr. Oliver made a labored defense and later in the debate it transpired that the resolution was couched in the exact words used by the present minister in speeches in the house in 1902.

There was great laughter when this fact developed, as Mr. Oliver had been resisting the resolution or nearly two hours. The debate ended in a fiasco. Messrs. Bourassa, Lavergne and other nationalists temporarily went out of the house, when the question put the requisite five were not present to demand a division and the motion was declared lost.

THE ARMY BILL

Debate on Measure Shows General
Approval of Principle

London, April 9.—War Secretary Haldane's important territorial army bill, for the organization and administration of one great territorial or home defence bill, gradually absorbing and replacing the present militia with yeomanry and volunteers, was discussed at length, although somewhat languidly, in the House of Commons today.

The debate revealed general approval on the part of the supporters of the government; while most of the speeches of the opposition were directed not so much against the principles of the measure as against points of detail.

TOBACCO IN OKANAGAN

American Export Purchasers Land at
Kelowna

Vernon, April 9.—Mr. Rottenburgh, an American tobacco expert, representing an American syndicate, has purchased \$50,000 worth of land near Kelowna.

The tobacco expert has been at Kelowna for about a month thoroughly looking into the merits of the local tobacco. Becoming thoroughly satisfied that the Okanagan tobacco was a first-class article and the soil and climate admirably adapted for the successful raising of tobacco, Mr. Rottenburgh on behalf of his principals invested in lands as above mentioned.

Included in the property acquired by the tobacco syndicate is the old Mission or Priest's ranch.

STOP CHEAP TICKETS

Probable Action of Railways to Meet
Two-cent Law

Chicago, April 9.—Commutation or suburban passenger rates to Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania may be abolished in the near future.

This is the principal subject to be considered at the meeting tomorrow of the central passenger association, comprising all the railroads for abolishing the cheap rates now made for monthly and 25-cent tickets to points within about 20 miles of Cincinnati, Cleveland, Pittsburg, Buffalo, Indianapolis and other cities.

It is that they are obliged to make two cents a mile the minimum as well as the maximum rate in Ohio, Indiana and Pennsylvania in order to avoid a loss they cannot afford in passenger revenue.

THE PRESIDENT'S PRIZE.

Christiania, April 9.—A local newspaper announces that President Roosevelt, who was awarded the Nobel peace prize last year, will have to deliver a lecture here in March, 1909, in order to comply with the rules affecting the holders of the Nobel prize.

CONSULS PROTEST.

Tangier, April 9.—The consular corps of Casa Blanca has forwarded a joint protest to the diplomatic corps here against the governor of Casa Blanca, declaring he is doing nothing to insure the safety of Europeans.

NAVY YARD FIRE.

Philadelphia, April 9.—One of the large buildings in the League Island navy yard, containing a sawmill, joiner shop and pattern shop, was destroyed by fire today. The loss is estimated at between \$70,000 and \$100,000. Many patterns for the equipment of the navy were burned and it will be difficult to replace them.

INFLUX OF JAPANESE

Many in Mexico Ready to Make Their
Way North

Washington, April 9.—Information has reached the immigration bureau of the department of commerce and labor that hundreds of Japanese have arrived in Mexico, destined for the United States. Many of them are in straitened circumstances. They have no intention of remaining in Mexico, but desire to come to the United States. They expect to obtain employment on the railroads.

In every instance the immigrants have passports issued to them by the Japanese government to Mexico. Under the circumstances the Japanese cannot be admitted legally to this country, but scores are being smuggled across the border.

The department is also informed that many Japanese are leaving Honolulu. They are taking passages to San Francisco, bearing passports to British Columbia. From San Francisco they go to Vancouver. It is known that they intend to make their way across the northern border to the United States.

COMMISSION WANTS HARRIMAN TO ANSWER

Suit to be Brought in U. S. Cir-
cuit Court Against the
Magnate

Washington, April 9.—According to a decision reached by the interstate commerce commission today, E. H. Harriman will be made to appear in the United States circuit court in New York in connection with proceedings to compel him to answer certain questions which he refused to answer when he was on the stand at the recent hearing by the commission in New York. The action will be brought as soon as Messrs. Kellogg and Severance, special counsel, can prepare the case for court.

The hearing at which Harriman appeared was in connection with certain transactions of the Union Pacific. On advice of counsel he refused to answer the questions put to him. It was brought out in testimony that the Union Pacific owned a large amount of Southern Pacific stock. Mr. Harriman was asked whether any, and if so, how much, of that stock he longed to himself, when he bought it and what price he paid for it, but he declined to answer.

Another question which he declined to answer, and on which the commission desires light, was whether or not any of the directors of the Union Pacific were interested in the sale of certain shares of stock of the New York Central Railroad at the time they were sold to the Union Pacific.

MANY PASSENGERS.

St. John, N. B., April 9.—The Canadian Pacific steamship Lake Champlain, from Liverpool, docked at 8 tonight. She will land about 1,400 passengers at 8 tomorrow.

WANT ARBITRATION.

Ottawa, April 9.—The coal operators at Calgary are sending forward an application to the labor department for a board of arbitration to consider the matters which are in dispute, and upon which they failed to come to an agreement recently.

NEARLY DELAYED.

St. John's, Nfld., April 9.—Premier Laurier's trip was nearly delayed on Friday night. The hawser on the starboard bow of the tug Neptune slipped, and the liner started swinging to port and just missed crashing into the Donaldson liner Casandra at the wharf on the opposite side of the harbor. The Empress' engines were reversed by mistake and only by the greatest of luck was a calamity averted.

POISONOUS WALLPAPER.

Evansville, Ind., April 9.—Mrs. Zachariah Watson, the third wife of a farmer in Posey county, Ind., died a few days ago and yesterday it was discovered that her death was due to the wallpaper on the walls and ceiling of the parlor, that she had cleaned two days before being taken ill. Physicians believed that she had been poisoned, but were unable to ascertain the cause until the wallpaper was examined and found to be impregnated with virulent poison. Watson's first two wives died in the same way, their deaths occurring one and two years ago.

FEW JURORS AVAILABLE FOR RUEF'S TRIAL

Only Seven Talesmen So Far Have
Passed Qualification
Tests

TO BE PEREMPTORILY CHALLENGED

Counsel for Prosecution and Defence
Have Heated Encounter in
Judge Dunne's Court

San Francisco, April 9.—Four talesmen were examined today in the Ruef trial. Two of them withstood the qualification tests and were passed into the box as probation jurors. They are James Otis, a commission merchant, and Simon Varnhagen, a produce dealer. The other two were excused for bias.

As a result of the day's proceedings the number of jurors who have qualified but were yet subject to peremptory challenges was increased to seven and five more talesmen remain to be examined before the present panel is exhausted and it becomes necessary to draw a fresh panel of 100 or 200 from the regular jury list or order a special venire from the body of the county.

The statement of the defence, recently made, that it will exercise all of its ten peremptory challenges is taken to mean that none of these seven venemen thus far passed into the box will be permitted to try the case.

The feature of today's proceedings was a heated encounter by Special Prosecutor Hiram Johnson and Henry Ach, of counsel for Ruef, and deputed attorney Jerome Ach, by Judge Dunne that his conduct was "most reprehensible."

SERVIAN TOWNS FLOODED.

Belgrade, Servia, April 9.—The widespread floods caused by melting snow are growing more serious. Today many towns are practically under water.

BLOODSHED IN LODZ.

Lodz, April 9.—Numerous fights have occurred among the workmen in this district. The men were actuated by political motives, and the fighting resulted in the killing of 13 and the wounding of 14 persons.

BATTLESHIP ASHORE.

Devonport, Eng., April 9.—The British battleship Trafalgar went ashore on the rocks off Devil's Point, behind the naval-victualling yard at East Stonehouse, while proceeding to Plymouth Sound from Devonport. Six tugs succeeded in refloating the Trafalgar an hour after she went on the rocks. There was considerable water in her forward compartment.

RAILWAY CLOSURES OFFICES.

Council Bluffs, Ia., April 9.—In preparation for the nine-hour law, the Chicago and Northwestern Railway is closing scores of its smaller offices throughout Iowa. Twenty offices on the Galena division have been discontinued within a week, and many others will be closed this spring. The railroads are unable to secure telegraph operators sufficient to man the offices now that this class of men can only work nine hours.

JEWS IN MUCH FEAR OF MORE MASSACRES

Russian Organization Plans At-
tacks on Them in St.
Petersburg

St. Petersburg, April 9.—The attention of the government has been called to the fact that thousands of Jewish families in the southern provinces of Russia are selling their homes and departing in anticipation of wholesale anti-Jewish riots at the Russian capital. At a meeting of the union of Russian people held here today it was resolved to demonstrate at Easter, especially in localities where the Jews are numerous, and if the authorities interfere to start anti-Jewish attacks. The signal for these attacks shall be the appearance of a black flag in the Zamiya, the organ of the union.

STORM IN NEW YORK

New York, April 9.—Over five inches of snow fell here today. Tonight the snow was succeeded by a heavy rain. The weather was the most remarkable for an April day in the history of the weather bureau.

STOLE EXPRESS ORDERS

Dishonest Drug Clerk Cashed Them
as He Traveled

Montreal, April 9.—After skipping from this city with 20 blank express money orders, with the possibility of realizing \$50 on each of them, James Sellers, formerly the trusted messenger at A. Davidson's drug store, Westmount, has made a transcontinental tour, paying expenses on route by cashing the orders which he stole from his employer.

Niagara and Winnipeg, notifications of cashed orders have been coming in at short intervals to Mr. Davidson, who is an agent for the Canadian Express Company. The police, who have the case in hand, have not yet succeeded in laying hands on the youth, and the last intimation of his whereabouts was received by his former employer in the form of an order for \$50 which was cashed at Vancouver on March 21. It is supposed that by this time he has either taken passage for the Far East or crossed over into the States.

SMALLPOX IN BRUCE

Toronto, April 9.—Fourteen cases of smallpox are reported from the township of St. Edmunds, in the northern portion of the Bruce peninsula.

FELL 350 FEET

Ashcroft, April 9.—James Pettry, foreman at Slough Creek, had an experience the other day which few men have had and lived long enough to describe—a drop of 350 feet to the bottom of a shaft. One of the two skips had been placed in position at the top of Slough Creek shaft, and Mr. Pettry concluded to go down with it the first trip. The brake would not hold, and the hoist must have got quite beyond the control of the hoistman, as 500 feet of cable followed the skip to the bottom of the shaft. Those who witnessed the accident supposed Pettry was a dead man, but his injuries were not serious.

LORD AYLMER

Jobbery in Connection With the Office
Which He Held

Ottawa, April 9.—The Senate as well as the Commons discussed Lord Aylmer yesterday. In the Senate Mr. Scott said that Lord Aylmer had some arrangements with the minister of militia about his retirement. Lord Aylmer, however, denies this.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell said that Lord Aylmer was in splendid health, and although 65 years old was in his physical and mental prime. He was a man with great military experience and ability. The Conservative government had promoted him to a very high place in the service. Col. Vidai was an invalid and it was doubtful if ever he would be able to perform his duties. He was only promoted to enable him to retire on a higher pension than his salary. This was a disgrace to the militia.

COUNSEL ELEVATES THAW TO KNIGHTHOOD

Impassioned Speech Made by
Delmas on Murderer's Be-
half Before Jury

New York, April 9.—In an eloquent appeal both to the written and unwritten law, Delmas this afternoon commended Harry K. Thaw's fate to the jury. The California attorney concluded his five hours speech summing up declaring his client was justified in killing Stanford White.

Tomorrow morning at 11:30 District Attorney Jerome will make his appeal in behalf of the prosecution. Justice Fitzgerald probably will charge the jury and by tomorrow evening, at the latest, the famous case will pass to the deliberation of the twelve men who have so carefully attended its uncertain course for weeks past. Mr. Jerome expects to speak for three or four hours.

Justice Fitzgerald would not say today whether he will or not charge the jury directly after the district attorney's remarks, but the general impression is that he will do so.

With the exception of the moments when he was reading from testimony, Mr. Delmas spent the day in a sustained oratorical effort. He threw about the form of Harry Thaw a cloak of chivalrous knighthood. "Why," he shouted, "should we who admire the chivalry of the knights of the middle ages, who went about redressing wrongs and making the weak and destitute withhold our sympathy from this brave man."

Bitterly the attorney assailed Stanford White. He declared White sought to play with Evelyn Nesbit so long as her beauty remained and then would have thrown her away "like a dirty rag to float down life's sewers to a grave in the potter's field."

Mr. Delmas discussed but briefly the testimony of the expert witnesses, declaring that whatever weight might attach to their utterances was on the side of the defendant. He declared the burden of proof was to Thaw's issue at the time of the homicide rested with the prosecution, which had failed to make out its case.

"In discussing Thaw's mental state, Mr. Delmas came at last to the 'unwritten law.' He declared the experts had been at a loss to classify the form of insanity from which Thaw suffered. 'I suggest its name,' he declared, 'I would call it 'Dementia Americana,' it is a species of insanity which has been recognized in every state of this Union. It is that species of insanity which makes the American man believe his home, his wife, his daughters, are sacred, and that whoever stains the virtue of his threshold, violates the highest of human laws.'

Twice during his closing periods Mr. Delmas was interrupted by Assistant District Attorney Garvan, who suggested the argument was taking too wide a scope, and Justice Fitzgerald called Mr. Delmas' attention to the fact.

Thaw seemed to be in the best of spirits, and declared to his lawyers in the Tombs that he felt his case was won. He seemed to have no dread of the assault of the district attorney tomorrow. There was a report today that Mr. Jerome was ill, but he appeared at his office during the afternoon, and said he had been busy for two days preparing his argument.

PEARY WILL TRY AGAIN TO REACH THE POLE

Gets Leave of Absence From
Navy Department for the
Purpose

WILL FOLLOW HIS FORMER PLANS

Funds Are Expected—Peary Will In-
sist on Selecting His Own
Men for the Expedition

Washington, April 9.—Secretary Mcclintock today granted the application of Commander Robert E. Peary for a three years leave of absence, the time to be spent in polar exploration.

New York, April 9.—The application of Robert E. Peary for leave of absence of three years, which was approved today by the secretary of the navy, has uncovered the fact that Commander Peary proposes to make another attempt this summer to reach the north pole. The three years' leave of absence during which he made his famous journey to the point farthest north ever reached by any man, 87 degrees 5 minutes, expired last Saturday, and the new leave begins now. It is expected the start will be made some time in June.

The funds necessary for the next trip to the north pole have not yet been obtained in adequate amount. It is stated that there is no unexpended money in the Peary fund. Morris K. Jessup, the well known man of wealth, who caused his connection with the enterprise to be kept secret, furnished practically all of the \$150,000 for the purchase of the Roosevelt and the outfitting of the last expedition. Mr. Jessup has been ill recently, and it is said that he maintains his interest in the explorer's efforts to reach the pole.

The Roosevelt is at Shooter's Island and is being refitted with new boilers. The hull is sound, and the changes in interior arrangements which Mr. Peary has decided upon will not be expensive. Captain Robert Bartlett of St. John's, Nfld., sailing master of the Roosevelt, has been notified to come to New York to superintend the fitting up of the vessel. Commander Peary before the end of his last voyage determined to select his own crew on his next advance to the pole, to avoid the trouble which was experienced heretofore because of unruly and discontented assistants. He will pick every man to be taken. Sledges will again be the dependence of the explorer, and he will again follow the American route, making a dash across the ice from his winter quarters toward the pole, which he is more confident than ever of reaching.

ARRIVED AT HONG KONG.

Hoong Kong, April 9.—R. M. S. Empress of India arrived at Hong Kong at 8.30 a. m. Monday, April 8, from Vancouver.

GENERAL MANAGER LAIRD

Toronto, April 9.—Alexander Laird, general manager of the Bank of Commerce, who is suffering from a temporary breakdown, due to overwork, has been advised by his physician to take three months' rest. Mr. Laird will sail for London in two weeks.

LEGACY FOR ROOSEVELT.

New York, April 9.—President Roosevelt is the sole beneficiary under the will of Lulu B. Grover, of this city, which was filed yesterday. President Roosevelt will accept the estate and turn it over to some New York charity.

DEAD CATTLE IN RIVER

Kamloops, April 9.—Kamloops people are very greatly exercised over the alleged dumping of 100 head of dead cattle on the ice of the Thompson River above the town. If what is claimed is true, the action is nothing short of criminal, for these carcasses are sure to contaminate the waters of the river, which are used for drinking purposes for more than one town along its banks. The man who could be guilty of such an action should be very severely dealt with.

CONTRABAND FURS.

Toronto, April 9.—Smuggling by Jews, representing American fur houses, is being carried on in the Parry Sound district, according to the game warden of the district, who called on the chief game warden at the parliament buildings this morning. The game wardens say this is one of the local developments of the district. The Jews obtain beaver and other skins from the Indians at a small price and smuggle them across the border.

SILICA A MINERAL.

Important Judgment by Washington
State Supreme Court.

Olympia, Wash., April 9.—The constitutional provision which permits aliens to own mineral lands in this state extends to lands containing silica, silicified rock and clay, used in the manufacture of cement.

Such is the decision of the state supreme court in a case brought in the name of the state to cause escheat of property in Whatcom county, bought May 4, 1906, by Ernest E. Evans, an alien. The suit was brought on the contention that the provision allowing alien ownership of mineral lands only covered lands containing the precious metals, but the court holds that minerals includes silica clay and practically everything of a mineral character, not vegetable. In the case of Wheeler versus Smith, reported in the Washington reports, page 705, the state supreme court held that a navy yard, containing a sawmill, joined earlier decision is set aside.

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DEBATE CONTINUES IN THE LEGISLATURE

Budget Speech and Provincial
University Bill Are Fur-
ther Discussed

PRICE ELLISON ON IRRIGATION

The Member for Okanagan Produces
Applies to Show What Can Be
Done in the Dry Belt

The continuation of the debate on the budget speech and the resumption of the discussion of the University bill, which proposes to make a reservation of 2,000,000 acres of land as an endowment for such an institution in British Columbia, occupied the attention of the provincial legislature at yesterday afternoon's sitting. Perhaps the most interesting address of the afternoon was that delivered by Price Ellison, of Okanagan, in reference, particularly, to the proposal of the government to take some action towards the irrigation of the immense area included in the dry belt. By exhibiting some specimens, especially chosen of the fruit which is grown on portions of that tract which have been subjected to the treatment mentioned, he conclusively proved the worthiness of the object which the government has in view and the returns, in added wealth to the agricultural resources of British Columbia, which might be expected to accrue therefrom. The consideration of the University bill was marked by a somewhat heated debate between the leader of the opposition, Premier McBride and other supporters of the opposition and the government. The result was that the passage of the measure through committee was prevented and the debate, doubtless, will be resumed at the next sitting.

Petitions and Report

After the submitting and receiving of a number of petitions and the adoption of a report from the Private Bills committee, referred to in another column, the debate on the motion "that the speaker do now leave the chair" was continued.

Member for Skeena

Dr. Kerghin in his opening remarks spoke of those on his side of the house recognized that British Columbia had entered in a period of prosperity. The province had waited long for the day and he believed that the country was along all lines. He thought it was a great privilege accorded the present government to have been returned to power at such a period. The development to which he referred spread throughout the whole province. Timber was being taken up. Cattle and saw-mills were being established, mines were being opened and developed. So confident were people becoming in British Columbia's future that capitalists were investing their money. Therefore the government had a duty to perform to that class. But also they had a duty towards the laboring people, the workingman, and he hoped the latter would not be overlooked.

Richest in Dominion

It has been stated that British Columbia was the richest section of the Dominion. This he believed to be true. And he was of the opinion that one of the richest portions of the province was that which he had the honor to represent, namely, the Skeena. He pointed out that the prevailing idea that the district mentioned was of no value was most erroneous. His opinion was that Skeena would always contribute its full quota to the revenue of the province. He briefly referred to the mineral resources of the district. Of the finest areas in the world were to be found. He then spoke of the salmon industry, and of the halibut banks, claiming that the deep sea fisheries were comparatively unexploited and that they would be discovered to be a resource of no mean importance as time went on.

Agricultural Resources

Perhaps, he said, the greatest misconception existed in regard to the agricultural resources of the district. He affirmed that mixed farming might be indulged in profitably in many portions, particularly the Bulkley and on Queen Charlotte island.

The Estimates

As he had looked at the estimates he had come to the conclusion that the government did not appreciate the possibilities of the district. Last year it had contributed to the treasury some \$66,000 and yet the sum specified, an entirely inadequate amount, had been put down for expenditure on public works in that section.

Transportation

One of the crying needs of the Skeena was transportation. He drew attention to the difficulties experienced by the residents of the Bulkley valley in bringing in their necessities from the coast. There was need of transportation facilities on Queen Charlotte islands. Those living at Bella Coola also required assistance.

Surveys Necessary

Surveys were necessary. The time had come when the agricultural lands should be surveyed. He contended that this should be done thoroughly and properly so as to avoid future trouble.

He claimed that there should be a government office located in the interior, somewhere in the neighborhood of Aldermere so that intending settlers should have the means of finding out what land was available. He also was of the opinion that there should be a Bureau of Information, the duty of which would be the dissemination of information in order to encourage settlement.

Timber Policy

Dr. Kerghin further spoke of the policy of the government in leasing timber limits referring in particular to the granting to two companies of 7,000 acres and \$9,000 respectively of pulp lands in the northern section. He argued that this would impede progress and deprecated the continuance of such a method of dealing with the public lands of the province.

Speaking of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway he contended that the operation of this road would mean the opening up of the country, the bringing to life of the vast northern section of the province. In this connection he wished to draw the attention of the government to the fact that the Grand Trunk Pacific railway had ceased operations at Prince Rupert, the selected terminus. He was of the

opinion that it was "up to" the administration to do the right thing by the province. Every possible encouragement should be offered the company which had undertaken the construction of that transcontinental line.

Seconded Resolution

He had pleasure in seconding the resolution submitted by the honorable member for Delta. (Applause.)

The "Milch Cow"

F. Carter-Cotton referred to Richmond, his constituency, as the "milch cow" of the province. In his address on Monday the honorable member for Delta had sarcastically referred to the expense to the province resulting from his return in the provincial elections. He wished to point out that the sum set aside for Richmond could not properly be termed a regular estimate. Fully eighty-five per cent of the sum was for the purpose of carrying out works which were absolutely necessary.

Leaving that subject, however, he wished to state that the province had entered on a new era of advancement. The Conservatives, in his opinion, were entrenched in power for twenty years or more. Then many of the Conservative members would be at least away from troublesome Liberals. (Laughter.) If any catastrophe should overcome the Conservative party it would only be as a result of some blunder in policy.

"Would the government retire on making its first blunder?" asked the leader of the opposition.

Trunk Roads

He was of the opinion personally that the government would have to undertake the construction of trunk roads in the near future. Such works were a great burden on the municipalities and he thought that they would have to be started at an early date.

Mr. Carter-Cotton referred to the timber policy of the government, supporting it in strong terms. He pointed out that it was quite possible when it was deemed necessary that more exacting regulations could be introduced in connection with the issuance of licenses.

General Development

He said that people were wanted in order that the country should be opened up and developed. He had heard the honorable member from Skeena remark that he was willing to help the government in any effort made along the line of settling and exploiting the resources of the country. If he meant that he should take a stand on the government side of the house, at any rate he could say that the government was doing everything possible to promote, generally, the development of British Columbia. (Applause.)

Mr. Ellison's Opinion

Price Ellison, in a brief address, congratulated the government on the handsome majority received and the people on the good sense displayed in the choice made. Referring to the remarks of the honorable member for Delta, he pointed out that it would not have been necessary had the construction of the Fraser river bridge not been undertaken. In regard to the districts to the north of the Fraser river on the lower mainland, he explained that they were incorporated, that they were the oldest districts of British Columbia and that they had received more than they contributed to the revenue. He contended that the bridge over the Fraser river had been constructed practically for the benefit of that section alone. He stated that when the undertaking was under discussion it was pointed out by those supporting the proposal that it was probable that the income from tolls, etc., would reach a total of some \$24,000. Under the circumstances, therefore, he thought that his honorable colleague, in advocating the abolition of tolls, was asking for something absurd, making a demand which he could not understand coming from a member of intelligence.

Civil Servants' Salaries

He was of the opinion that the salary of the civil servants should have been increased to a larger extent. Moreover, he thought the salaries of the ministers should be augmented, as well as the indemnity of the speaker, and also the sessional allowance awarded the members of the assembly. He was of the opinion that remuneration was inadequate. The price of living was increasing and with regard to the civil servants, he had only to say that those efficient should alone be employed and that they should be paid an adequate salary.

Irrigation Proposal

In speaking of the proposal to introduce a scheme for the undertaking of the irrigation of the dry belt, he wished to commend the government. The \$5,000 which had been set aside for the payment of the expenses of the commission was no doubt sufficient for that purpose, but he thought that some appropriation might have been provided to permit of work to commence this year. He did not think that there should be any more delay than was absolutely necessary. He had waited for ten years for the carrying out of some irrigation project. Now he was of the opinion that the time had arrived for the work to start. In order to show what could be accomplished by irrigation he exhibited some magnificent apples that had been grown on irrigation lands, showing two varieties, the Pippin and the Ben Davis.

For purposes of comparison he exhibited a small apple of the former species. Asked where the smaller had been grown Mr. Ellison hesitated and a voice interjected: "Delta." Whereat there was general laughter at the expense of John Oliver. Mr. Ellison remarked that there was no "moss" on it and so he could not be afraid that it came from Mr. Oliver's district. (Laughter.) Pointing to the larger varieties, Mr. Ellison said that they had been cultivated upon property which, before irrigated, had not been capable of producing a sheaf of wheat. He hoped the government would make a further vote so that the proposed irrigation work should be undertaken without delay.

For the reasons he had outlined he hoped any bill the government might introduce would have the support of the House. He asked them not to be afraid of the amount of money proposed to be granted towards the work. He assured them that all spent would be returned to the fullest possible extent.

Mr. McNis's Remarks

Mr. McNis thought that the estimates showed unfair discrimination. There was no evidence, he thought, that the government had followed the principle of "British fair play," which so much was heard. In regard to immigration he argued that there was no necessity that the sum mentioned should be set aside for that purpose. In his opinion the best class of settlers were those who came

of their own volition. The bringing in of an inferior class had the effect of driving good laborers away.

Member From Cowichan

Mr. Hayward congratulated the Finance Minister on the able way in which he had carried on the management of the finances of the country for the past few years. There was one appropriation in the estimates of which he thought the government should be specially commended, namely, that providing for forest protection. The sum for that purpose was \$25,000 and he thought that it could be well spent in protecting the forests from the ravages of fire. He also congratulated the administration on setting aside a sum for surveys. That was a necessary work and would increase the general knowledge of the province.

Compared Figures

Referring to the treatment accorded Newcastle district in comparison with that meted out to Cowichan district, he pointed out that for several years previous to 1904 Newcastle had got some \$55,000 while Cowichan had received about \$31,000.

Mr. Williams asked who had represented Newcastle district during the period to which he referred.

Mr. Hayward acknowledged that the section had been represented by the premier at that time, but that did not alter the fact that Newcastle had got the best of it, and that he was justified in having been able to secure a better appropriation this year.

He went on to say that he would like to see the government take up the question of railway development in the northern section, to ascertain the situation prevailing at Prince Rupert, and to investigate the bona fides of the railway company in regard to that site.

Favored Immigration

He could not understand the attitude of the Socialist members in opposing the immigration policy of the government. He had noticed that there had been eight-hour bills passed for the ordinary workingman, but he did not note an eight-hour day for the agriculturist and his wife. He was heartily in accord with the efforts which were being made to secure more farm and domestic labor for those residing in the province. Both, he considered, were necessary, and he hoped that the government's intention would be carried out to the fullest extent, because it was in the interests of British Columbia as a whole.

In conclusion he wished to commend the government on the attitude assumed in connection with better terms, Indian reserves and the provincial fisheries. All of these were matters on which the province took issue with the Dominion. He hoped that the members of the government would maintain the determined stand which they had assumed, in the interests of the country.

On motion the debate was adjourned.

University Bill

Mr. Gifford took the chair when the house went into committee of the whole on the bill providing for the appropriation of 2,000,000 acres for the British Columbia university. A motion was taken on an amendment introduced by the leader of the opposition proposing that all the royalties and fees accruing from the lands should be reserved to the government. On a division being taken the amendment was defeated by a large majority.

Mr. Hawthorthwaite introduced an amendment providing that the legislative assembly, rather than the lieutenant governor in council, should select the lands.

The provincial secretary contended that such a proposal was unworkable. It would be out of the question for the matter to be brought before the house every time a parcel of land was to be chosen. Therefore he could not accept the suggestion.

Mr. McPhillips argued that it was necessary that discretionary power should be given to the administration. If the latter were to make an error then the worse for themselves and for the Conservative party.

Degree for Minister

Mr. Hawthorthwaite contended that the proposal was that the government should be conducted by order-in-council. He asserted that there had never been a single instance where lands had been given away without first obtaining the consent of the legislative assembly. It had been rumored that the president of the executive, the real father of the bill, would be granted an "L. L. D." or a "B. A." on the introduction of a university. Two million acres for a degree for a minister of the administration. (Laughter.) He wished to protest emphatically.

Empty Words

Mr. Carter Cotton, replying, said that in all his parliamentary experience he had never listened to such an exhibition of "empty words." He argued that there was no reason why the charge should be made on the arguments advanced.

The leader of the opposition moved that section 4 be struck out. He contended that, owing to the change in the scope of the bill, it being provided that the area of land should not be "granted" but "reserved," this clause was not necessary. This section, he read, as follows: "The lieutenant governor in council may reserve from preemption, sale or other disposition any lands of the province for the purpose of said grant other than lands mentioned in section 3 hereof."

On Mr. Hawthorthwaite's amendment being put it was lost.

Mr. Macdonald's amendment also was defeated.

Asked Another Change

In the consideration of section five, Mr. Hawthorthwaite moved that the words "three years" should be struck out and "nine months" substituted therefore. He asked this so that the house would have the opportunity of discussing the retention of land at the next session. The section follows: "The land shall be granted pursuant to this act shall be selected from the lands of the province, by the lieutenant governor in council, within three years from the date of the passing of this act."

The amendment was lost by a large majority.

Wanted Reservations

Mr. Macdonald introduced a further amendment providing for certain reservations to the crown. He argued that the provision that the lands should be administered and dis-

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posed of under the provisions of the Land act was insufficient. By this, he contended there was no mention of royalties or other fees which might be expected. He argued that he had the admission of the president of the executive that it was not intended to allow the sources of revenue which he had mentioned to be devoted to the university. Therefore he did not think that there should be any objection to the amendment which he had submitted.

Mr. McPhillips affirmed that the leader of the opposition perhaps did not realize the way in which his proposal would work. He contended that the reservation for the assistance of the university should be adequate. Quoting from Old Country papers, he showed the requirements of Oxford University in its maintenance. His opinion was that the University should have the advantage of all the royalties and rents accruing under the provisions of the Land Act.

Mr. Jardine wanted to be clear on the point as to whether the royalties would be devoted to the university or the crown.

Mr. Macdonald was surprised that he had not heard from the President of the Council confirming the admission on this point made the other day. There was some difference between the opinion of the Premier and that of the member for the Islands as to the selection of the lands. He spoke of the income which might be expected if only 25,000 acres of the 2,000,000 acres proposed were chosen from a coal belt. And he mentioned the income which would be received from the timber limits chosen. He contended that not only would the voting of the tract mentioned mean the granting of \$5,000,000 to the university, but the public revenues from such an area would be lost for all

time. (Applause from the opposition benches.)

Premier McBride

Premier McBride, responding, remarked that the leaders of the opposition and the Socialist party seemed to be afraid that too much would be granted for the endowment of a university. He wished to point out the situation in Ontario. He said that in that province \$1,000,000 in cash had been granted the university. There had also been large grants of provincial lands, while in addition an arrangement had been entered into which provided that \$250,000 should go to the institution annually. This, he pointed out, meant the same as \$5,000,000 capitalized at 5 per cent. These figures showed that what was proposed by the government was in no way out of the way, when conditions in other provinces were considered.

Disposition of Royalties

In regard to the royalties, he pointed out that those accruing from timber would go to the university, while those received from any mineral or coal which might be discovered on the reserved lands would go, as usual, to the crown. He hoped that the leader of the opposition, who appeared to fear that the government would overstep the mark, would look at the matter in a more generous manner. He would acquit the honorable member from any intention to destroy the legislation before the House, but would take him into the confidence of the government. It was not the intention to make the selection in a way that would hurt the progress or the development of any section or sections of the province. (Applause.)

"Graft"

Mr. Hawthorthwaite hoped that

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As Seen From the Gallery

The selection of speaker of the legislature confers upon the individual chosen a distinction which is not unfrequently coveted by many members of the House. The office presupposes a knowledge of constitutional law and parliamentary procedure that is not easily acquired, and comes natural only after long years of parliamentary service. The business of the House may be expedited or retarded by the speaker's aptness for his position, and when the choice of the man to fill the chair is not dictated by political expediency, as is sometimes the case, the office is conferred upon one of the senior members of the assembly. The only disadvantage apparent in the office is the inability of the occupant of the chair to take part in the discussions of the House. Listening to the argumentative conflicts of the members, it must often occur to the speaker that a good shot might be made in reply to this or that statement by some of the members, while the speaker's reflection might not occur to another. The office of speaker is held this year by

Hon. D. M. Eberts

whose undisturbed equanimity has greatly facilitated the business of the local parliament. Mr. Eberts is an Ontario scion who has risen to distinction in the West, Chatham having the honor of his birthplace. He has been 23 years a resident of this province, almost all of which time has been spent in Victoria. Head of the legal firm of Eberts and Taylor, he essayed the political role for the first time in 1896, being elected to represent what was then the South Victoria riding in the Robson ministry. He subsequently sat on the treasury benches during the Davie, Turner, Dunsmuir and Prior administrations, retiring from the House with the downfall of the Prior ministry in 1903. He held office as attorney-general from 1895 to 1898, and again in the Dunsmuir and Prior cabinets from 1900 to 1903. He passed through the troubles and tempestuous political circumstances previous to the accession of the present administration, during which time the political complexion of the House suffered a series of transitions, resulting in the drawing of party lines. His candidacy in Saanich, a party of his old constituency, was the natural and logical result of party organization, and Mr. Eberts succeeded in winning his seat against the opposition with a comfortable margin. He holds the confidence of his constituents, whose interests he has always safeguarded. Mr. Eberts' personality naturally qualifies him for success in the sphere of politics. Gentle and generous, polite and courteous, never refusing a request, he has in his power to grant and avoid the "tight places" in political exigencies with an agility that often surprises his friends and disarms his opponents.

The law firm of which he is senior member is an established one, and Mr. Eberts was made a Q. C. in 1890.

The Member for Yale

Mr. Stuart Henderson, the member for Yale, has taken his seat in what is for him the second legislative assembly of British Columbia. A practitioner of law, he has been a resident of his constituency for ten years and represents a territory extending from Agassiz to Savona, and from near Ashcroft to the international boundary line. Mr. Henderson is a Canadian by birth, but has resided in Canada 24 years. His record as a leader, and he is well up in the councils of his party. He speaks in the House on nearly all leading questions, his sentences flowing easily and with occasional emphasis. There is a lingering accent of his Scotch parentage in his speech, and the subject matter of

his addresses, or his part in debate is always such as to catch the ear of the House. He is unalterably Liberal in his political views and predilections, and a member of the opposition with a well defined conception of his obligations as such. This obligation he outlined in debate a few days ago. His words, in explanation of his duty as a member of the opposition, declared his responsibility as follows: "To oppose the government at all times; to depose the government when possible, and to compose, if never." Probably Mr. Henderson is the only member of the House who has so compact and concise a political creed, and if not he is certainly the only one who gives unfailing evidence of his loyalty to his political theory. While he takes no ungentlemanly advantage of the government, he is unsparing, and often specious, in his criticism of government. In fact, these things are not unreasoned, but are the result of reflection might not occur to another. The office of speaker is held this year by

Second Member for Vancouver

Mr. A. H. B. MacGowan, head of the shipping line, bears the name of the second term in the legislative councils of the province. Mr. MacGowan is one of the few members of the House who is reticent in press interviews, referring the press representative to the history of British Columbia. While a look into his volume gives an interesting picture of the member for Vancouver, it affords little information as to his political career. Nevertheless, Mr. MacGowan has enjoyed a long and valuable career both as school trustee and member of the board of aldermen in his adopted city to leave him an unknown or negligible quantity. A native of Prince Edward Island, he moved to Vancouver in his early days, and his face and form soon became familiar in the streets of the rapidly rising city. In shaping the municipal and educational policy of that metropolis, Mr. MacGowan did yeoman service, the zeal with which he contributed of his talents and time to the advancement of these matters according to his understanding being matter of common knowledge.

He was elected in 1903 on the government ticket as one of Vancouver's solid contingent and re-elected second member at the last provincial contest. While a thorough Conservative, Mr. MacGowan is not a servile party member, his own opinions and convictions standing in the way of undeviating allegiance to his leaders, a condition which sometimes causes embarrassment both in the caucus and committee, as well as in the House. He is a politician, an indefatigable canvasser and apparently enjoying the entire confidence of his constituents.

The Member for Lillooet

Mr. M. R. Eagleson, who sits for the first time in the House, and is a member of the opposition, is one of some half dozen of the members whose occupation is a tiller of the soil and whose rural business is that of a farmer. His boyhood home was in Durham county, Ontario, but his residence in British Columbia extends over a period of 24 years. Like most of the other younger members of the House, Mr. Eagleson is quietly studying the methods of the legislature and familiarizing himself with rules of procedure. He has not spoken in the House, but does good work in committee.

Mr. Eagleson is a serious advocate of game protection within the province. His own district enjoys world-wide fame as a rendezvous for big game, and each year sees an increasing number of foreign sportsmen from nearly every one of the older countries in the world visiting the district of Lillooet to spend some time in the pursuit of the denizens of the forest. This year, even thus early, the professional guides who chaperon these foreign hunting parties, have booked orders ahead to the full extent of their ability to serve, and the fear is prevalent that many other parties will be turned back for lack of guides. The revenue accruing to the province and district from these expeditions is a valuable asset, and Mr. Eagleson thinks that while irrigation and forestry are being considered, some further consideration should be given the matter of game protection. Naturally, as a member of the opposition, Mr. Eagleson does not care to outline his plan, reserving it for future definition.

From the Cariboo

The district of Cariboo is represented by two members, the senior of whom is Mr. H. Jones, a native of North Wales, but since 1863 continuously a resident of this province, all of which time, with the exception of 10 years, spent at the coast, he has been resident of his constituency. Mr. Jones is a mining operator and business in the capacity of owner and manager has negotiated some of the most valuable placer industries of the district which first made British Columbia known to the world. The introduction of hydraulic methods and placer mining has given the Cariboo a fresh interest for mining men, and the gold output from territory once believed to have been fully exploited is steadily increasing. So far as the richness and extent of the gold belts are concerned, Mr. Jones' expression is that there is still plenty of gold, in fact the country may be said to be almost new. The development of other parts of the province and particularly of mineral operations has somewhat distracted the attention of the world from Cariboo, but the work of recovering the precious metals from the river beds is going steadily on and

with increasing success and profit. The Cariboo constituency suffers for want of railway communication with the outside world, the nearest railway connecting with the coast point, Barkerville, being 285 miles. Transportation is in consequence very costly, and the best results from placer operations are hampered and retarded. Mr. Jones does not hesitate to aver that it is the duty of the government, and the rapid railway extension, to provide an ample estimate for the construction of wagon roads, thus affording a modicum of convenience till such time as railway development ensues.

The second seat for Cariboo is filled by Mr. J. M. Yorton, who, as a native of the Orkney Islands, is an example of the thoroughly democratic personnel of the provincial legislature. Mr. Yorton has been for 16 years a citizen of this province, and like several of his colleagues in the House, is a prosperous farmer in the inland district which he represents. Mr. Yorton is amply proved by the personal popularity of the member for Yale with both sides of the House.

The Member for Okanagan

The name of Mr. Price Ellison is a household word in the vast Okanagan district in the interior of British Columbia, not alone because of the extensive vested interests held by him in his district, but because of his persistent and successful efforts in the development of that section of the country to which he belongs. A native of Manchester, England, he moved to America many years ago, spending some time in New York and Boston, and subsequently reaching the Pacific coast at San Francisco. The success of his business ventures in the Cariboo in '49 attracted Mr. Ellison to British Columbia, and landing at Victoria he started for the land of gold, but having reached Yale was diverted from his purpose and crossed the Hope trail, eventually reaching the country of the Okanagan, where the opportunities for ranching and stock herding on an extensive scale at once appealed to him. For 31 years he has been a resident of his constituency, during which time he has secured control of the land, and the products in cereals, roots, tubers and stock have become famous.

Mr. Ellison takes a keen interest in the comfort and convenience of the people in the Okanagan valley, and as an instance of his solicitude in these respects he founded the *Vernon Review*, a weekly journal of a high class, which serves as a purveyor of news to the residents of the valley. He is still president of the *News Publishing Company*, which has recently acquired the property of the *Armstrong Advertiser*. Mr. Ellison's district is a vast one, provincial politics was in 1898, when he was elected member of the House in support of Hon. J. H. Turner. He has held his seat continuously ever since against strenuous opposition at times, being returned with complimentary majorities in four contests. He has always sat on the government side of the House excepting two sessions, when he was in opposition to the Semlin party.

Mr. Ellison's business enterprise, together with his sterling manhood, has won for him the respect of the whole section of the province. His political opponents as well as those of his own side of the Speaker. He holds the first place in the legislature, and perhaps in the country, as an advocate of an extensive system of irrigation for the dry belt in the interior. Having long advocated this, he does not hesitate to affirm that the introduction of the greatest acreage capable of irrigation of any part of the American continent, and promises unparalleled results. While recognizing the handicaps under which the country is laboring owing to the enormous demands made on the government treasury, he is persistent in his advocacy of a comprehensive scheme by which the province may induce capital expenditure with the surest guarantee of profitable returns.

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ORGANIZE NATIONAL BODY

Lady Superintendents of Hospitals Form Society at Toronto

A Canadian Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses has been organized at a meeting held at the nurses' residence of the Hospital for Sick Children, in this city, says the *Toronto Mail*. The following officers were elected as follows: President, Miss Selvey, General Hospital, Toronto; 1st vice-president, Miss Livingston, Montreal; 2nd vice-president, Miss MacFarlane, Vancouver; secretary, Miss Brent, Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto; treasurer, Miss McKelton, Lady Stanley Hospital, Ottawa. The question of organization has been under consideration for some time. Similar societies have existed in the United States since 1893. With a view to obtaining expressions of opinion on the subject, a circular letter was sent to the various superintendents of nursing schools throughout the Dominion by a committee of the city superintendents of training schools. The response was so encouraging that the meeting was held. In addition to those holding positions in the various hospitals, representatives were present from Galt, Belleville, Collingwood, St. Catharines, Ottawa and Stratford. Many letters and telegrams were received from as far distant cities as Halifax and Vancouver.

A provisional constitution was adopted, and the following council was appointed: Miss Macdonald, Victoria Hospital, Halifax; Miss Wilson, General Hospital, Winnipeg; Miss McLean, General Hospital, Edmonton; Miss Monlong, Jeffrey Hale Hospital, Quebec; Miss Patten, Grace Hospital, Toronto; Miss Sharpe, Woodstock; Miss Green, General Hospital, Belleville; Miss Scott, General Hospital, Kingston; Miss Chesley, St. Luke's Hospital, Ottawa. The first meeting of the new society is to be held at Montreal on Sept. 11.

LICENSED VINTNERS MAY ATTACK BY-LAW

Liquor Dealers Obtain Legal Advice on New Enactment of Council

The Licensed Vintners' association of this city will in all probability make a determined effort to secure the quashing of the recently passed liquor license by-law. The liquor men have already sought a lawyer's opinion as to the legality of the measure, and although no definite action has yet been decided upon, it is altogether probable that the next few weeks will see the whole matter before the courts. That many of the clauses of the by-law deal with matters on which the powers of the city are very questionable was generally admitted at the time that it was passed, and the opinion was freely expressed that difficulty would be experienced in enforcing it. It was not, however, thought that the liquor men would take the initiative in testing the legality of the by-law. It was thought that they would wait until the city attempted a prosecution under the new regulations, and when called upon to fight the measure in the higher courts. That the announcement that they are contemplating the declaration of war, comes as something of a surprise.

The executive committee of the Vintners' association engaged a lawyer to look into the by-law some days ago, and it is understood that they have already obtained an opinion. Just what that opinion is and how it may influence their counsels it is impossible to say. Among lawyers there is, however, a tendency to regard the by-law as being peculiarly open to criticism, and it seems probable that the liquor men have been given to understand that they can with hopes of at least a measure of success, undertake to assail it.

The point at which the by-law is regarded as being peculiarly vulnerable is in those clauses which deal with the powers of the board of licensing commissioners. The council has arrogated to itself some control over the board, and whether the council has the right to do this or not, is a matter of grave doubt.

That some doubts on this very point existed in the minds of the city solicitors is shown by the fact that when the by-law was being passed, they brought the matter of its validity to the attention of the aldermen. The last clause of the by-law provides that in the event of infraction of the board of licensing commissioners shall impose a fine of not more than \$100 or for further offences, the council may refuse to issue a license. When this clause was passing for the last time, City Solicitor Mann recommended that the word "shall" be changed to "may," stating that in his opinion the council had no power to dictate what the board should do.

His Worship, the mayor, however, would not hear of the alteration. He stated that in his opinion the council had full power to say "what the board should do in such a case, and for his authority quoted section 205 of the *Municipal Act*. The council, of course, may pass by-laws, not however contrary or inconsistent to the conditions of this act to regulate the manner and conditions under which the board of licensing commissioners may authorize the renewal of a license or withhold the renewal of a license to or from any person now holding a license, or to or from any person to whom a license may hereafter be granted.

As against the claims of the mayor it is contended that in the clause which he based his defense on the word "shall," it is expressly mentioned that any by-laws passed by the council must not be "contrary or inconsistent with the conditions of this act." It is claimed that the by-law is contrary to the provisions of the act, and in support of this is adduced subsection "d" of the same clause of the act, which says that the council may pass by-laws.

"For prescribing the mode of procedure upon complaints against holders of licenses, and the mode of proceeding from the general power of the hearing and adjudicating upon such complaints."

It is claimed that in stating what penalty shall be imposed by the board of licensing commissioners, and in prescribing when and under what circumstances the board shall cancel the licenses, the council is "derogating from the general power" and thus running contrary to the act.

The power of control over the board of licensing commissioners arrogated by the council in the by-law is really the basic principle of the whole measure. On it the whole power of the city to enforce the regulations depends, and should it be decided in the courts that the by-law is ultra vires in this respect, it will have the effect of rendering the council almost impotent in the matter of the control of the licenses, and of placing the power where it was before the by-law was passed, in the hands of the board of licensing commissioners.

As regards the remainder of the provisions of the by-law, it appears that they are for the most part within the powers of the city, and should the measure be brought before the Supreme Court, and the clause in question be declared ultra vires, it is probable that it alone, will be struck out, and the remainder allowed to stand as they now are. It is stated in the municipal clauses that the city has the power to regulate "the days and hours upon which the authority to sell liquor may be exercised," and accordingly there is little probability that any change will be made in this respect.

Should one or more of the clauses be ruled ultra vires in the courts, it does not follow that the whole by-law will necessarily be quashed. Only in those cases where the illegal clause is so intimately bound up with the whole of the by-law as to be inseparable from it does it follow that the whole measure must be rendered null and void, once the offending clause is quashed.

The action of the Licensed Vintners' association only became known at the city hall yesterday, but it has aroused the greatest interest, and already the civic officials are laying plans for the threatened campaign.

MR. BRYCE AT CHICAGO.

Chicago, April 6.—James Bryce, British Ambassador to the United States, after spending a busy day in Chicago, attending luncheons and visiting a score of large commercial and industrial establishments, was the guest of honor tonight at a banquet given by

the Commercial Club at the Auditorium Hotel. There were 175 prominent business and professional men about the board. Ambassador Bryce was the only speaker of the evening. His topic was "The Modern City and its Relation to the State."

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COOLED HIS ARDOR

Brandon, Man., April 9.—A ludicrous incident occurred here yesterday, when Archbishop Serafin, the eccentric ecclesiastic of Winnipeg who claims to be head of the Greek Church in Canada and religious director of the Ruthenians, attempted to hold service in the Galician Catholic Church here. They refused to permit him to enter the building, and when he attempted to force his way in, he was picked up bodily, carried to the street and thrown in the mud. This decidedly tamed his religious ardor, and after hurling anathemas upon his opponents he departed.

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IRON BOUNTIES.

The Colonist is indebted to Mr. Templeman for the following information regarding the bounties on iron and steel manufactured in Canada:

The bounty to be paid on iron and steel ingots, manufactured in Canada for consumption therein, the product of Canadian iron ores smelted by electricity will be for the calendar year as follows: Pig iron, 1909, \$2.10 per ton; 1901, \$2.10 per ton; 1911, \$1.70 per ton, and 1912, 90 cents per ton. Steel ingots, 1909, \$1.65 per ton; 1901, \$1.65 per ton; 1911, \$1.05 per ton, and 1912, 60 cents per ton. The bounty will not be paid on steel ingots from which steel blooms and billets for exportation are manufactured. The bounty does not begin until 1909, to give parties in British Columbia and Ontario time to get ready.

Our information is that the electrical manufacture of iron and steel has passed beyond the experiment stage and that it is proposed to establish in Ottawa and Labrador extensive plants for the utilization of this process. We have understood that bounties are also to be increased and continued upon iron and steel manufactured by the ordinary processes. This was promised in the early part of the session and we have not seen any reason to suppose that the idea has been abandoned.

For the economical manufacture of iron and steel by electricity cheap power is essential and in this respect British Columbia is exceptionally favored. By an interesting coincidence valuable water powers are found in the vicinity of nearly every large known deposit of iron ore, and this is especially true of Vancouver Island. Recently the Colonist said that it knew of capitalists, who were ready to embark in the manufacture of iron on this island if satisfactory bounties were given. Those above mentioned are quite satisfactory as to amount and time, but the persons referred to had in contemplation the manufacture of iron by the methods now in use. Whether they will feel like engaging in the electrical process is something upon which we are, of course, not in a position to express an opinion, but we understand that the matter is now forming a subject of correspondence. There can be little doubt that if the commercial practicability of the electrical process has been demonstrated, either they or some one else will before the bounties become available be prepared to take advantage of them in this part of Canada.

ABOUT AVERAGES.

Every one knows the saying that "figures won't lie, but some liars can figure." We should be sorry to apply this literally to any honorable member of the legislature, and employ it simply because it states concisely and picturesquely an idea which it is well to bear in mind, when financial statements are being discussed. There is no one line of mental activity in which an ingenious man, like, for example, the respected member for Delta, cannot make a very plausible showing, which is utterly at variance with the facts. Our friend struck some averages for the purpose of showing that Opposition ridings were not treated fairly in the apportionment of the public revenue. It has been well said by, we think, Mr. Chesterton, who writes the "Note Book" for the Illustrated London News, that averages prove nothing. In the very nature of things the average is what does not happen. The average is reached by adding the high and the low together and dividing by the number of the amounts so added. It is therefore only in the rarest possible case that the result is what has happened in any case.

In regard to the distribution of public expenditures in this province so many things must be taken into account that to attempt to reach any valuable conclusion by adding together the expenditure in any group of constituencies and dividing the sum by the number of constituencies, nothing of the least value is established. We can hardly imagine anything that would be of less value for any conceivable practicable purpose, except to enable the honorable member for Delta to discharge his function as the financial critic on the Opposition side of the House. It may very well happen that owing to exceptional circumstances a large outlay in some constituency may be absolutely imperative. Such proved to be the case recently in Chilliwack, where an outlay of some \$22,000 was found to be necessary to protect the lowlands from disastrous floods. This is an exceptional expense, and when added to the ordinary expenditure in that riding and that in Delta would make a total, which divided by two would give a high average for the two Liberal constituencies south of the Fraser, but which would be woefully unjust to Mr. Oliver's constituency. What would that

honorable member say if some one should make this calculation, and then point out how Delta and Chilliwack had been so well provided with public works and been the recipients of such great public favors in the past, that they are now covered by self-governing municipalities, and yet the government had expended this large average amount in the two ridings! The honorable member would very properly say that such a set of facts proved nothing so far as his riding is concerned and was calculated to create an erroneous and unjust idea in regard to it.

The government claims, and can do so with perfect confidence as to the justice of its claim, that in apportioning the appropriations for the next fiscal year, it has not been influenced in any degree whatever by the political character of the constituencies. Anything more foolish than such a course can hardly be imagined. Every administration wants to make friends. Every member of a government knows how easily a constituency may be swayed by anything which looks like injustice, whether it is directed against it or some other riding. Generally speaking the margins by which victories are gained at elections are narrow, and no government would be foolish enough to antagonize any locality by refusing it appropriations because it returned an Opposition member. The member for Delta has simply been amusing himself with figures, and there can be nothing more delightful than the appearance of determined earnestness with which he propounds the result of his calculations. People who do not know him would be almost convinced that he really believes he has made out a case, good not only according to arithmetic, but according to the eternal verities of fair play and that sort of thing.

A JEREMIAD.

The Halifax Herald has a caustic writer who groves very doleful over what he calls the thraldom of Ottawa politics. He tells the public that a young man with ideas has no chance at all at Ottawa, for if he shows the least independence he and his wife are both ostracized, the latter being put upon the social blacklist. This must be largely imaginary, seeing that no one has exhibited any independence for so long a time that the "blacklist," if there is one, must be sadly out of date. The Herald's man says that this sort of thing is not confined to one party, but is of course more conspicuous upon the government side of the house.

We suppose that there is very little doubt that the old timers in the political arena at Ottawa, as well as anywhere else, do not regard with any very great degree of enthusiasm the newcomer who insists upon being recognized; but we do not believe things are as bad as represented. Doubtless there are ways that are dark and tricks that are not always vain among the people who fill the lobbies, and who have many things which they wish done, and a great many more, which they would like to see left undone, but we are very slow to believe that if a man entered politics with a determination to show the stuff he was made of and took occasion to assert his independence upon the floors of parliament, he would meet the fate, which the Herald's correspondent thinks would certainly be his. The trouble is that we have so few men who have any desire to be independent. Undoubtedly party tyranny is being carried to an extreme at Ottawa. It has been bad enough ever since Confederation, but it is worse now than ever. 'Sir John Macdonald had what was substantially a one man government, but he never was as absolute within his party as Sir Wilfrid Laurier is among the Liberals. The dominance of a party leader seems inseparable from politics, but there ought to be more independence than is exhibited in the Canadian House of Commons, which body has degenerated into an assembly for registering the wishes of the Prime Minister of the day.

A CRITIC CRITICIZED.

The Toronto Globe's staff commissioner, who has been writing some very interesting articles to his paper upon the West, is not as accurate as he might be in some recent references to Victoria and Victoria people and institutions. The staff commissioner is writing from memory and is confusing some things. For instance he says that the reason, which the Colonist gave for not printing more English news was that the people in Canada are generally descendants of the United Empire Loyalists. Here is a mistake made in good faith, but resulting from a treacherous memory. The Colonist explained the absence of English news in Canadian papers generally by saying that a very large part of the population have so little personal acquaintance or family connection with England that they cannot be expected to take much interest in the current news of that country, except so far as it relates to the broader questions of the day. What it said about the descendants of the United Empire Loyalists was that their conceptions of the relation of Canada to the Empire were naturally different from those entertained by people who had never lived out of the Mother Country, and if the Globe's staff commissioner cannot see why this must necessarily be so, we are unable to help him. He has in his letter confused the two thoughts and produced as a result a statement which quite misrepresents the views of the Colonist. He speaks of the lack of news from Eastern Canada in the Victoria

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papers; but here his newspaper experience helps him to arrive at a right conclusion to a certain extent, for he says that the cost of transmission over 3,000 miles of wire is almost prohibitory of the publication of much news of the kind mentioned by him. But there is another reason. People from Eastern Canada, who live in Victoria, come from every part of that country, and it would be quite out of the question to provide them all with even a synopsis of the news of their former homes. British Columbia people find a similar lack in Eastern Canadian papers of the news of this province, but they recognize the difficulty of providing it, and therefore do not write to the papers about it.

The staff commissioner has discovered a great deal of "aloofness" in Victoria in regard to things Canadian. He endeavors to explain why this is so, attributing it in part to the fact that this was once a naval station, saying that native Victorians have followed the lead of the navy in regard to the things in which they take an interest. This is hardly correct. The explanation must be sought in other directions, and principally in the fact that until about twenty years ago British Columbia was isolated from the remainder of British North America, and Victoria being the centre of population and political influence, there naturally grew up here a generation which had no reason whatever to think about what was transpiring in the Eastern Provinces. Things are changing in this respect, but the staff commissioner would be unreasonable to expect people so reared to take the same interest in what is going on, say, in Ontario as those persons do who only left that part of Canada a few months ago.

The staff commissioner complains of a lack of business method in Victoria. He makes this complaint upon the strength of a remark by a Winnipeg man. There are business methods and business methods. A good many people from the prairies came to Victoria under an apprehension that they would be waited upon by a lot of the residents with appeals to buy their property. It so happened that most Victorians are not in a particular hurry to sell, and some of our Winnipeg friends have accordingly been led to form unfavorable ideas respecting the way business is done here. It is fair to say, however, that the manner in which some property owners have refused to stick to quoted prices deserves censure, although not much more than is due certain alleged buyers, who have not "made good."

The staff commissioner thinks we are a leisurely people here, which is pretty nearly right, but it is not because we have only one mail from the East every twenty-four hours, as he seems to think, but because we have not yet acquired the vice of being in a needless hurry. He refers to the occasional delays in the receipt of the Eastern mail, and says that this is a reason why we are not in a greater hurry. He quite overestimates the importance of the eastern mail. However on the whole the staff commissioner aims to be fair. His observations happen to have been superficial, and that was not his fault. The best things in Victoria are not lying upon the surface. Under this apparent leisureliness and lack of business method, he would find, if he had remained here long enough, about as much business activity and sound commercial sense as he would discover in any other Canadian city of the same population. And in view of the fact that to this we are able to add the trick of really living, without rushing ourselves and each other to death, we have a case that calls for no apology.

The Yorkshire Post thinks that Canadian opportunities for immigrants are greater upon paper than in fact. A better way to state the case would be to say that immigrants from Great Britain expect more than they can reasonably look for. Canada presents opportunities of all kinds, but she does not go thrusting them at people. They must be sought out by newcomers.

The long panegyric on Mr. Ralph Smith, printed in the Times last evening has caused some guessing as to what is in store for the member from the neighboring constituency. The Colonist has no hesitation in saying that if anything good should happen to come Mr. Smith's way, many people not in political sympathy with him would heartily congratulate him.

By a slip of the pen in yesterday's Colonist the name British Columbia was used in place of Vancouver Island in connection with copper mining, which accounts for the rather startling statement that this industry employs "some hundreds of men." As the greater contains the less, the statement is true enough as applied to the whole province, although in that case "some thousands" would have been most appropriate.

Some of the British papers are all most agast at the discovery that difference of opinion exists between the several colonial premiers, who will attend the Conference. These papers seem to be under the impression that the Conference was going to meet for the purpose of carrying out a programme which they have been evolving from day to day in their columns. Once more we suggest that the object

of a conference is to enable men to confer with each other. If they were all of one mind before they met, there would be no object in their meeting.

The reference in yesterday's Colonist to the paragraph from "The Queen" has called forth a great deal of comment, particularly from English people. One gentleman, who received a letter from England the other day addressed "Vancouver, South Africa," suggests that the Tourist Association or some other public body might arrange for an illustrated article in some leading London daily. He says that the ignorance prevailing in England in regard to conditions here is greater than we suppose.

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS

Good for Laurier

Sir Wilfrid Laurier made a speech last night in the presence of Mr. Bryce, in which the premier said: "I have seen and you have all seen in an American newspaper published in New York just a few days ago, that we are yearning for reciprocity with the United States. Now I tell you that the editor of that paper is about twenty-five years behind the times. At that time we would have given our right arm for such a paper, but it is now a thing of the past. We are turning our hopes towards the old mother land. We have introduced the doctrine and the policy of a preference for Great Britain and towards all the British Empire, and this is the policy by which we stand at the present time. We shall have no more allusions to Washington, and this is simply the message I have to convey to your guest at the present moment. I know he will be a friend of Canada, and it is a fact that a new leaf has been turned in our relations with our neighbors. It will be a matter for great congratulation."

That is good. That is about what the premier of Canada should say under the circumstances. It is a hope that Mr. Bryce has been properly infused during his stay in Canada, and knows that reciprocity with the United States is the best thing that can be done for the present could, perhaps, be made a little more definite; but as it is we are very thankful for it. Hamilton Spectator.

Scientific Farming

The prejudice against scientific farming, against "fancy farming," is disappearing. It is amazing that such a prejudice should exist at all; that anyone should suppose that in this progressive age the business of agriculture should stand still; that the farmer should be the one man in the world whose book of science is closed. Of all callings that of the farmer should be the most progressive, the most scientific, the least monotonous, the least hampered by tradition. The farmer has it in his power to be the most independent of all men; he can do what is best in the light of science, regardless of the past and regardless of his neighbors' opinions.

Attempts are sometimes made to discredit the work done upon experimental farms, because it is costly. As well discredit the work done in chemical laboratories. The purpose of such work is to try experiments on a small scale, and thus to save the general public the cost of experimenting on a large scale. The public receive the benefit in the form of reports, showing the results of the experiments. The government official who is striving to improve the quality and yield of grains and fruits is working for an ideal. The practical farmer recognizes that this ideal is not attainable at present, but by working towards the ideal he is continually improving his methods and increasing the product and profits of his farm. There are now engaged on the farms of Ontario some five thousand graduates of the Ontario Agricultural College, who know the practical as well as the ideal side of farming, and are getting as close to the ideal as they can. For instance, any farmer can carry out the practice of hand-picking the seeds of grains, planting the best and so improving the product, and this is being done today on many Ontario farms.

Farming owes a great deal to the work of agricultural departments here and in the United States. All over the North American continent there are government officials who devote their whole lives to the improvement of agriculture. They receive very moderate salaries, and it is safe to say that wherever a thousand dollars is paid out in this way, the people get back a million. It is this kind of thing that shows itself on its good side. Give a man some work to do that will interest him and afford scope for his intellect and energy, and benefit the people, and he will do it with all his might.—Toronto Star.

The Insurance Inquiry

Sir Wilfrid Laurier's very eloquent presentation of the degradation it would be to the House of Commons to resolve it into an inquiry into rumors which no one had the manhood to formulate into charges amounted, as the opposition leader pointed out, to a scathing denunciation of the recent insurance commission, with which the rumors in question had some connection. That commission was far worse than an inquiry into unfounded rumors. It resolved itself from the first into prosecution for undeclared charges. It engaged an inquisitor of the greatest ability as such, though before giving him the job he pointed out that he would need to have assurance that he had no connection, as adviser, with certain preposterous recommendations in the commission's report, and his draft act of parliament. This prosecutor seemed to regard it as his function to find every manager and director of every insurance company guilty of wrongdoing of some kind. He gave himself, and in the King's name, the commission gave him, every latitude for insinuating crime. He had his brief from a notebook of the faithful government of undisciplined auditors, containing every point, however pedantic, raised in their private councils, in the course of their very thorough audit and inspection for a score of years back, whether to bookkeeping methods or as to investment. Wilfrid wrong was assumed in every case by the prosecutor, and, what is worse, the report of the commission had the gentlemen prosecuted been indicted for the errors with which they are charged in this report, they would have been tried in open court. They would have been assumed to be innocent until proved guilty. They would have been defended by counsel. They would have had the court on their side to see that they were not misled by the insinuation of their case. Before this commission no charges were formulated, though criminal charges were present by hundreds all the time.

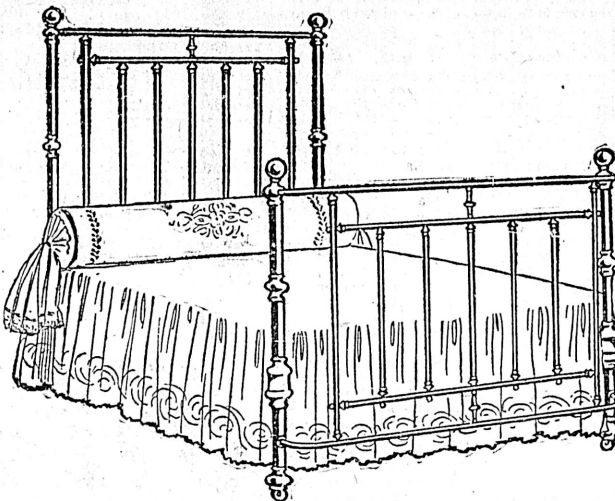
No defence was permitted. To a certain extent volunteered evidence was admitted, but was unheeded. The examination showed a determination to incriminate. The usual traps were laid to catch witnesses unaware. In fact, every device was used in which a brilliant prosecutor might pride himself. Then, at the close of each and every one of these unformulated charges is formulated in a public report as a wilful departure from rectitude on the part of men most, of them of hitherto unimpeached reputation, and concerning whom the evidence had revealed nothing that was not consonant with the highest probity.—Montreal Witness.

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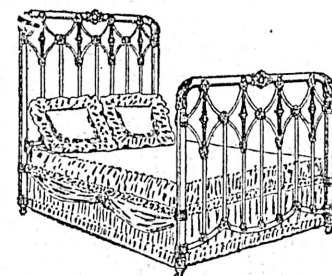
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THE WEATHER

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Since yesterday an important ocean storm centre has spread inland to Northern British Columbia, and southerly gales have prevailed on the coast and Straits of Fuca and Georgia. Rain has been general, extending to the Kootenay district, and mild weather is reported from the Coast to Alberta, while in Manitoba it is turning milder.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	45	54
Vancouver	47	53
New Westminster	46	51
Kamloops	32	66
Port Simpson	38	..
Calgary	34	62
Winnipeg	12	39
Portland	52	58
San Francisco	64	66

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Wednesday.

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Lower Mainland: Mostly cloudy, with occasional rains, stationary or lower temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY WEATHER.

	Tuesday.
Highest	51
Lowest	46
Mean	50
Rain	13 in.
Sunshine	2 hours, 54 mins.

	March.
Highest temperature	56.0
Lowest temperature	28.7
Mean temperature	42.3
Total precipitation for the month, 1.40 inch, average amount, 2.66 inch.	
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SCHOOL TRUSTEES FROM ROYAL CITY

T. J. Trapp and John Peck Looking for Pointers on Building

T. J. Trapp, chairman of the New Westminster board of school trustees, and John Peck, one of the most active members of that body, were in the city yesterday on business with the government. While in the city they took the opportunity of getting into touch with local education affairs, and spent considerable time with Superintendent Eaton of the local board. Both gentlemen were extremely interested to hear that Victoria is about to build a new school, and more so on account of the fact that New Westminster is just about to do likewise. They spent some time in the superintendent's office looking over the plans for the proposed new building at Victoria West, and managed to glean from it some pointers for their own new school.

Judging from statements made by the two gentlemen to a Colonist reporter yesterday it would appear that Victoria is by no means alone in her trials and tribulations over educational matters.

"We have," said Mr. Trapp, "been trying to get this new school of ours for the last three years. We started in when it would only have cost a bare \$10,000 to have built it, and now the council has had to vote \$18,000. It would have been much cheaper for the council to have voted us the \$10,000 when first we asked for it, but they dillydallied and hung fire until now, with the increased cost of building it is going to cost us just about twice as much."

Mr. Trapp states that the funds for the building of a new school will be supplied from general revenue, and not by means of by-law as is being done in this city. He further states that the council has promised to set aside the sum of \$12,000 next year to build another school in the west end of the city. This, too, will be appropriated from the general revenue, the policy of the New Westminster council being opposed to the increasing of the civic debt by means of by-law loans. In accordance with this policy the council of the Royal City has not raised a loan through a by-law for over four years.

The new school will, according to the two trustees, be an up-to-date institution. They have paid visits to the schools of Vancouver, Victoria, and Seattle, in order to get pointers, and the best features of all will so far as possible be incorporated in the new building.

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TRUST TO NATURE.

A great many Americans, both men and women, are thin, pale and puny, with poor circulation, because they have ill-treated their stomachs by hasty eating or too much eating, by consuming alcoholic beverages, or by too close confinement to home, office or factory, and in consequence the stomach must be treated in a natural way before they can rectify their earlier mistakes. The muscles in many such people, in fact in every weary, thin and thin-blooded person, do their work with great difficulty. As a result fatigue comes early, is extreme and lasts long. The demand for nutritive aid is ahead of the supply. To insure perfect health every tissue, bone, nerve and muscle should take from the blood certain materials and return to it certain others. It is necessary to prepare the stomach for the work of taking up from the food what is necessary to make good, rich, red blood. We must go to Nature for the remedy. There were certain roots known to the Indians of this country before the advent of the whites, which later came to the knowledge of the settlers and which are now growing rapidly in professional favor for the cure of obstinate stomach and liver troubles. These are found to be safe and yet certain in their cleansing and invigorating effect upon the stomach, liver and blood. These are: Golden Seal root, Queen's root, Stone root, Bloodroot, Mandrake root. Then there is Black Cherrybark. The medicinal principles residing in these native roots when extracted with glycerine as a solvent make the most reliable and efficient stomach tonic and liver invigorator, when combined in just the right proportions as in Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Where there is bankrupt vitality—such as nervous exhaustion, bad nutrition—and thin blood, the body acquires vigor and the nerves, blood and all the tissues feel the favorable effect of this sovereign remedy.

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WILL HEAR EVIDENCE ON LABOR SHORTAGE

Board of Trade Enquiry Opens
Next Tuesday Morning—
Many Witnesses

The enquiry which the Victoria board of trade purposes to make into the conditions of labor in this city and province will commence at 10 a. m. on Tuesday, April 16.

The date was set at a meeting of the Labor enquiry committee held in the board rooms on Monday. This committee has now been working on the matter for several weeks past, and the members are of the opinion that all is ready for the undertaking of the public investigation.

Numerous applications have been received from persons, both public and private, as well as from corporations and boards of various sorts asking for the privilege of speaking and giving evidence before the court of enquiry, and it is apparent that a vast amount of matter will be submitted. The committee does not undertake to confine its attention entirely to those who have made application, and many other gentlemen who are in touch with the labor situation, and who may be expected to throw some light on conditions, may also be requested to attend and give evidence.

The investigation will be public, the board of trade being anxious to have it understood that everything will be done fairly and above board. Every-one who takes any interest in the matter will be free to attend, and no one who wishes to give evidence in the usual manner will be debarred from so doing.

The committee in charge of the investigation is composed as follows: H. P. Bullen (chairman), W. J. Ambery, Anton Henderson, T. W. Patterson and W. J. Pondray.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A CORRECTION

Sir—I was misinformed as to the train leaving Sidney on Wednesday night when the Iroquois was in sight. This is not in accordance with the facts.

W. BAUGH AILEN.

NATIONAL SONG

Sir,—In Friday's issue of the Colonist it takes to task the Mail and Empire for disapproving of "Canada is good enough for me," as a title for a song which the Toronto school board desired to distribute to its schools, on the grounds such a title would be "an official recognition of slang." The Colonist says it is "nothing of the kind, every word is perfectly good English." Of this there is no doubt, but the same can be said of all slang or slangy expressions, such as "bet your boots," "bet your bottom dollar," "get a streak on," "etc." Each word is good English. However, I do not think it is a very felicitous title for a song intended for distribution among the children of a young country, and which (going) may possibly become historic. It gives more the idea of the smug contentment prevailing after middle age and has too much of the "dead end" of it. What is red, is red, is a joyous life, with an upward swing, giving the idea of life and motion which would appeal to the hearts and pride of the rising generation. Surely there could be no greater anomaly, with such splendid potentialities in front of Canada, than to teach her children of today that their native land is "good enough." In fact, nothing more is wanted than an influx of tourists and a boom in "real estate."

PARENT.

A Correction.

Sir,—The executive of the Victoria branch of the Canadian Labor party wish to remove some false impressions which have been created by some articles published in the Colonist from time to time.

It has been stated in that paper that the party is seeking an alliance with the Socialist party. This is not true. The Labor party is seeking no alliance, but is at all times ready to welcome adherents, no matter from what party they may come, who recognize the justice of the labor cause and are willing to work for its advancement through the medium of this party.

Another impression that has gone abroad is that the party has grievances against the labor unions for the scant support received from them at

the recent election. This is also incorrect. While the party was somewhat disappointed at the small vote received, yet they are not by any means discouraged. Considering the short time in which they had to prepare for the election and the difficulties with which they had to contend it is felt that a good beginning has been made. Further they think that when the labor men of the city realize what the party stands for and what benefits would accrue to labor men by united action on their part, they will throw in their lot with the Labor party. With that end in view it is the intention of the party to prosecute the work which has been so well begun until the principle for which they stand shall become a part of the law of the land.

The Canadian Labor party has now been organized in the four most important provinces of the Dominion, namely, British Columbia, Ontario, Manitoba and Quebec, and considering that the party came into existence only seven months ago, it bids fair to become an important factor in Canadian politics in the very near future.

H. NORMAN, President.

B. KNIGHT, Secretary.

AN IMPERIAL ZOLLVEREIN

Sir,—I warmly appreciate the reproduction in part of the eloquent and forcible address of the late Hon. Joseph Howe, wherein he voices in masterly fashion the aspirations of all thinking Canadians. An Imperial Union has been the day-dream of our people for three-quarters of a century, but not such a union as would relegate us forever to a strictly subordinate and secondary position in the councils of the Empire. Much apprehension prevailed in the Maritime Provinces previous to our own federation, lest the preponderating population of Ontario and Quebec should enable those provinces to dominate the government of the Dominion to the detriment of the less populous sections. The history of the past forty years, however, has dispelled that fear and has demonstrated the fact that the representatives of the Eastern provinces have to a large extent been able to determine the course of our legislation. Perhaps, in an Imperial Council the vitality and sapient personality of the colonial representatives might redress the situation foreshadowed from the consideration of our numerical inferiority. Now, that the fourth colonial conference is on, and some of the English papers are pre-occupied with the results of the conference, and another, perhaps a suggestion from a humble private citizen but ardent Imperialist, may assist in pointing a possible way to the solution of the problem of Imperial Unity.

Stripped of every disguise, the chief obstacle to the accomplishment of our desires is the reluctance of Great Britain to modify or abandon her system of free imports. Although an examination of the trade returns for the latter half of the 19th century shows conclusively that the prosperity of the country was not due to free trade, but in spite of it, the British people are still saddled to British idols, and it is highly improbable that they will consent to any sacrifice at the present time, that would involve a surrender of their fiscal idols. On the other hand, the colonials are by experience, conviction and of necessity, unalterably opposed to the adoption of free trade doctrines. Out of the deadlock that must inevitably ensue there is a chance open to the colonies that might be productive of much good and that might sooner or later lead the political economists of Great Britain to revamp their obsolete theories.

The colonial representatives of the conference could arrange a union or commercial zollverein amongst themselves, leaving Great Britain out—they could withdraw the preferences now given to British goods, and could, whilst making mutual concessions, raise a high tariff against the outer world. Britain included. If this were done, I think, at the next colonial conference, Great Britain would seek admission to the union on reasonable terms. In other words, establish a colonial confederation and leave it open for Great Britain to come in when she gets ready, just as our Dominion was federated. Conscious that the ideas of private citizens carry little weight with the public, whilst the silliest platitudes of prominent men pass current for wisdom, I cast this suggestion upon the waters. The time is opportune, the subject worthy, the suggested alternatives practical.

R. S. E. O'BRIAN.

Nanaimo, April 6th, 1907.

STORM AT TORONTO.

Toronto, April 9.—A rain and wind storm that passed over yesterday wrought considerable damage on the island. Four summer cottages on the lake front were swamped. Telephone service on the island was demoralized. Several temporary piles on the new breakwater at Centre Island were washed away and the pile driver sunk. Trees on different parts of the island were blown down and fences wrecked. A terrific gale from the east blew, and for a time it looked as though some cottages on the western sandbar would be blown into the lake.

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Service of Praise.

A service of praise will be held next Sunday evening at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, for which the choir are preparing special music.

For the Refuge Home

There was a large turnout of ladies at the annual sale of work held by the ladies of the Refuge Home committee at the home yesterday afternoon. Refreshments were served and a large amount of fancy work and confectionery was sold, making the sale one of the most successful in the history of the home.

Sergeants Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the sergeants' mess, Fifth regiment, C. A., will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock sharp at the drill hall. After the business of the meeting has been transacted the mess will hold a 500 tournament. Refreshments will be served and a good time is expected. The following committee have charge of the affair: Col. S. M. Cavin, Sergeant Lawson and Sgt.-Trumpeter Earle.

Esquimalt Meeting.

The Esquimalt deputation on sanitary matters will hold a meeting this evening at 8.30 at the Lamson Street schoolhouse to take into consideration the suggestions made by the government in reply to the petition presented last Monday morning, and also to decide whether it is advisable to call a public meeting to discuss municipal incorporation of the district.

Secretary Busy.

Since the return of Secretary Cuthbert from his southern California tour he has been a very busy man and for the next few weeks his time will be fully occupied attending to the correspondence and other business that has accumulated during his absence. It is not only these little matters that require his attention, but he will be required to attend a committee meeting at least once a day and on some occasions twice a day. The university committee has arranged to meet on Friday and it is expected that this meeting will be very interesting. Advancing for the season's work has also to be attended to. In this will be included "25,000 Impressions and 10,000 Outposts of the Empire," as well as other literature for the campaign of publicity it is proposed to adopt in the south and west.

Funeral of Mrs. Findlay.

The funeral of Mrs. Isabella T. Findlay was conducted yesterday from the parlors of W. J. Hanna, and was largely attended, and the many beautiful floral tributes were an evidence of the esteem in which she was held by her friends. Rev. Dr. Campbell had charge of the service, assisted by Rev. Dr. Reid. The body was laid at rest in the Ross Bay cemetery, beside that of her late husband.

Mrs. Findlay, widow of the late William T. Findlay, was 54 years of age and a native of Richmond, Quebec. She came to the Pacific coast about 20 years ago with her husband, in search of better health, and resided in the cities of Portland, Ore., Tacoma, Wash., Victoria and Vancouver, coming to this city some six years ago. In all the cities named Mr. Findlay followed his occupation as carpenter and foreman and was at one time proprietor of extensive milling properties in Tacoma. He met death accidentally while engaged on a building near the outer wharf, three years ago. Mrs. Findlay was a life-long member of the Presbyterian church, being identified with the first church here, and took considerable interest in all the movements that tended to better humanity. Having no children she had, as a widow, much time to devote to philanthropic work, and freely visited the sick and aged, all of whom will miss her very much. There are no relatives in the west, but many nephews and nieces reside in eastern Canada, and the New England states, and one brother in the state of Michigan.

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REQUESTS OF CITIES FOR MORE LEGISLATION

Victoria and Vancouver Proposals
Passed Upon by Committees

Meetings of the municipal and private bills committee of the provincial legislature were held yesterday morning. Both were largely attended. At the former matters relating to Victoria were discussed and at the latter certain proposed amendments to Vancouver's charter of incorporation were considered. A deputation from the local board of aldermen consisting of Messrs. Hall, Vincent, Fell and Henderson was present when the chairman of the municipal committee took his place. With them, also representing the interests of the capital, were the local members of the provincial legislature. Practically the entire time of the sitting was occupied in the discussion of "An Act Relating to Victoria," in which it is proposed to give the city additional powers, which have already been outlined in these columns. Finally they were approved and it was agreed that they should be recommended to the house.

The amendments which representatives of Vancouver wanted were, for the most part, of minor importance. There was one, however, which created some debate. It was to the effect that the city health officer should have power to inspect the milk of the dairies in the vicinity of Vancouver. This, however, was objected to on the ground that there was a provincial inspector to whom that duty could safely be left. It was contended that the amendment required would interfere with the provincial officials. This argument held good and it was decided to strike out the amendment contemplated. Other alterations asked for were agreed to. The meeting then adjourned.

Brighter Quarters

When the members of the board of trade gather on Friday for the regular quarterly meeting it will be in a rejuvenated board room. A large staff of decorators is at present at work in the chambers and the old board rooms are beginning to look quite young again. The walls are being kalsomined and provided with a fancy dado around the top, in the latest art nouveau style, while the old bottom they will be finished off with green burlap. The woodwork is all to be revarnished. The secretary's office also is to be generally improved. Matters of importance will come before the board at the meeting, and a full attendance of the members is looked for.

Chinese Troubles

Lee Gum Boey, manager of the firm of Ping Fah & Co., was brought before Acting Magistrate Morphy in the police court yesterday afternoon on the charge of having received and had in his possession stolen goods. The goods in question consisted of elgars and other small articles, among them a gold watch and chain, and they were, before they came into the hands of Ping Fah & Co., the property of Tai Wan & Co. and Albert Low, who it appears are in partnership. Just how they came into the hands of Ping Fah & Co. was not explained, but in the store of that company they were found and the manager of the concern, Lee Gum Boey, was taken in charge by the police to act as a sort of scapegoat. Lee Boey was let out on bail to the extent of \$1,000. One half of this sum was supplied by Lee himself while the remainder was put up in two sureties of \$250 each by two of his friends, Loo Chan and Lo Mun. Lee will come up for a further hearing tomorrow.

THE STAGE.

Comedy at Watson's

A most laughable comedy was the attraction at Watson's Theatre last night, and a large audience was present. "Eccles Girls" is the title of the piece, being an adaptation of the famous English play, "Caste." The lines are cleverly written and they call forth screams of laughter. A pretty love story is interwoven, which forms the foundation for what has been considered the greatest English comedy. Johnnie Pringle is the principal comedian, in the character of old Eccles, and his portrayal of the character is admirable. He is ably assisted by Mr. Warfield as Sam. Miss Hammer is again seen to advantage in the leading role of Esther, and is supported principally in this part by Mr. Seidel as George D'Alroy. Miss Florence Pringle played the part of Polly with her usual vim. The play will be repeated tonight, with a matinee this afternoon.

WHAT TO WEAR

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Mr. Wm. Lindley, proprietor of the B. C. Fur Manufactory, returned by last night's boat from New York, where he has been for some time past making extensive purchases in furs, trimmings, feathers, steel buttons, and other new and up-to-date novelties, which the public will have an opportunity of inspecting in the course of a few days. Mr. Lindley says his trip was a most successful one in every particular.

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Some Important and Interesting
Business Transacted at Last
Monday's Meeting

The regular meeting of the Local
Council of Women took place on Mon-
day in the city hall. Present were
the president, two members of the ex-
ecutive and nineteen delegates from
affiliated societies. After silent prayer
the minutes of the last meeting were
read and approved. The month's cor-
respondence was then considered as
follows: Mrs. Cummins wrote at
some length from the executive of
the National Council regarding the ar-
rangements for the Quinquennial
meeting to be held in 1920, and laid
special stress on the fact that the
National Council were about to ap-
point a standing committee to sup-
port the Anti-Tuberculosis movement
throughout the Dominion and to work
on the various ways and means for
the suppression of this dread disease.

The "Victoria Literary Society" ac-
cepted an invitation to affiliate with
the Council and was warmly wel-
comed. The president read the following
letter from Her Excellency the Countess
Grey in acknowledgement of the ex-
pression of sorrow and sympathy ex-
tended to Their Excellencies by this
Council in their recent bereavement.
Government House, Ottawa, March
12, 1920. Dear Mrs. Day, very hearty
thanks for your letter, which has just
reached me, written on behalf of the
women of Victoria (members of the
Local Council). Will you accept your
self and also convey to those ladies my
most heartfelt thanks for their mes-
sage of sorrow and deep sympathy
with Lord Grey and myself in our
great loss.

"It is indeed true that sorrow and
suffering bring us all close together,
and the wonderful sympathy we have
received from so many throughout the
Dominion has touched our hearts very
deeply.

Yours sincerely,
"ALICE GREY."

A letter was read from F. Elworthy,
secretary of the board of trade, Vic-
toria, forwarding the following letter
and inviting the Local Council to con-
sider the matter and to communicate
directly with the Chamber of Com-
merce, Melbourne, on the subject.

60 Market St., Melbourne,
Jan. 23rd, 1920.
Sir,—I have the honor by despatch of the
president and council of this chamber,
to request you to be good enough to place
before the president and members of your
chamber the information that an exhibition
will be held in Melbourne, Victoria, Aus-
tralia, during the end of 1920, to be de-
signated the "Australian Exhibition of
Women's Work."

With the view of affording the president
and members of your chamber the means
of forming some idea of the objects which
this exhibition seeks to attain, I beg to
forward under separate cover (a) A list of
names of those who have undertaken to
serve on the committee, in which you will
see that Her Excellency the Lady North-
cote is president, and that Her Majesty
Queen Alexandra is patroness. (b) Special
circular for exhibitors abroad. (c) Two
cards. (d) Label. In asking for the sup-
port and co-operation of your chamber,
I am fully aware that much of the
success of the enterprise will depend upon
the assistance given by such bodies as your
own, and my chamber would be greatly
pleased if you would give the greatest pos-
sible publicity to the scheme of the ex-
hibition and secure as many helpers and ex-
hibitors as possible.

Thanking you in anticipation for your
kind offices in this matter,
C. HANSEN,
Secretary.

For the Secretary Chamber of Commerce,
Victoria, British Columbia.

Australian Exhibition of Women's
Work.

Special Circular for Exhibitors Abroad.
The prospectus enclosed explains the
scope of the Exhibition of Women's Work,
so far as Australia is concerned.
Its conductors are, however, anxious to
obtain specimens of the work of women
of other countries, not for competition, but
as illustration of the varied activities of
women in different parts of the world.
The work forwarded may be that of any
woman or girls, professional or amateur.
Specimens whether antique or modern, from
schools of art, or from private sources will
be most acceptable, and samples of girls'
work from village schools in various coun-
tries would be very interesting.

The exhibition will remain open for about
six weeks, and the executive committee
will be glad to learn whether the exhibits
forwarded are to be regarded as donations,
as loans, or for sale for the benefit of the
exhibitors.

The executive committee will be grate-
ful for any trouble taken in the despatch
of exhibits, and will do their best to make
the transit as simple as possible. All ex-
hibits sent direct to Melbourne should be
most carefully packed, and labelled

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Women's Work Exhibition, Melbourne,
Victoria, Australia, 1920." and should reach
Melbourne by the middle of September.
Addresses of them in different parts of the
world who will kindly attend to shipment,
insurance, etc., will be furnished in due
course. Small parcels might be sent by
post.

On exhibits which are donations or on
loan, all charges connected with transit
and insurance will be paid by the exhibi-
tion. Articles loaned in different parts of the
world will be returned, carriage paid.
Carriage and insurance on exhibits in-
tended for sale are at the cost of the
sender.

The cards and labels sent herewith should
be used when forwarding exhibits.
The telegraph address of the president
of the exhibition is "Australienne," Mel-
bourne. Code used—A B C 5th Edition.
Melbourne, 14th November, 1920.

It was further set forth that Her
Excellency the Lady Northcote had
not only inaugurated this exhibition
but is continuing an active interest in
its administration and accomplish-
ment, and that Her Majesty the Queen
had consented to become its patroness,
also that "the objects which this ex-
hibition seeks to attain are too wide-
spread and various to refer to in de-
tail. Everyone, however, must have
noticed the opening up of new ave-
nues of employment to women and the
consequent gradual alterations which
have been effected thereby in their
lives. The exhibition will, it is be-
lieved, be of assistance to them in this
respect, as well as to those women
to whom the economic conditions do
not immediately apply, but who are
devoted to various artistic pursuits.
The exhibits will afford the public an
opportunity to judge for themselves
the progress and excellence achieved
in different branches of woman's work,
and the relative degrees of ability
shown by each."

Discussion followed and it was de-
cided to invite certain teachers inter-
ested in the promotion of art and
needlework in Victoria to confer to-
gether, and to report at the May meet-
ing on the feasibility of confederation
in the effort.

There were no reports from special
committees. Mrs. Hasell, convener of
the committee on a "Womans' Build-
ing," explained that, though she had
nothing, as yet, to report definitely,
and she had been unable as yet to
find a suitable date to call a general
meeting since Easter, still there was
much interest shown, and some busi-
ness proportions under consideration.
She stated that she hoped to call a
meeting both for delegates and the
interested public generally, about the
25th or 26th of April, when it was
hoped that some further progress
might be made and a further report
presented.

Mrs. M. Jenkins gave, in this con-
nection, a most interesting account of
the woman's building and club in
Denver, where she had been visiting
recently. Mrs. Jenkins said that she
had evidently been delighted beyond
expression at the progressive and in-
telligent spirit which had evidently
been the inspiration of this movement
and which had succeeded in carrying
out, and sustaining such a splendid
effort. The woman's building consisted
of a vestibule and reception hall, with
reading and committee rooms on the
first floor, and a large ball room at the
back; on the next floor were premises
adapted to a woman's club; while the
third floor was occupied by a fully
equipped auditorium or "bijo" thea-
tre, where dramatic performances, lec-
tures, and concerts could be held, and
instruction given in the elements of
the arts of elocution, music and the
drama given. The rents accruing from
these premises amounted to over
\$3,000 per annum. The club was or-
ganized in 1894, and although its
building and thorough equipment cost
a sum averaging \$50,000 there only re-
mained \$11,000 of the initial debt to
repay. The club gathers great force
and influence, year by year, and seeks
to identify itself with all social, com-
munity and beneficial interests in the
city. Notably it has established and
supports a creche, where numerous
babes and small children of working
mothers are cared for daily. Its
motto is:

In essentials—Unity.
In non-essentials—Liberty.
In all things—Charity."

May the women of Victoria feel
stimulated to imitate this beautiful
and practical example; inducing there-
by a greater fellowship in common in-
terests, and promoting those pursuits
which best insure the growth, both of
a city and of its citizens, and are of
an enduring benefit to "generations yet
unborn."

Mrs. Jenkins also described a visit
to Judge Lindsay's "Juvenile Court,"
which she believed to be a most sat-
isfactory solution to the problem of
dealing with juvenile offenders, and
recommended the same to the con-
sideration of authorities.

A question was asked as to the
possibility of beautifying the schools
by introducing good pictures and other
objects of taste for the benefit of the
children. Mrs. Hasell recommended that
such publications as "The Nation's
Pictures" be purchased and distributed.
These productions are exceedingly well
done at a nominal price—and every
year many such are issued by enter-
prising firms in England.

The Council was notified that the
date for the annual meeting of the
National Council to be held in Van-
couver was fixed for July 15th or 16th.

An invitation was extended to all
women interested in the subject to at-
tend a meeting on the purity question,
at Mrs. Spencer's, 288 Yates street, on
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not give any promise of being any
better. The opportunities presented to
the sailors of obtaining work on shore,
with wages higher than is paid deep
water men is the greatest factor in
producing the scarcity. This to-
gether with the fact that the coasting
fleet has been increased has served to
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sailors receive but \$25. The advan-
tage claimed by sailors on short voy-
ages along the coast, when coupled
with the heavier wages paid, consti-
tute a cause for the shortage of men
for deep water ships making voyages
to distant ports. The large number
of vessels now loading on the Sound
which must be furnished with crews,
before their departure, has created a
fear among the shipping men that
some of the profits anticipated with
the present high freight rates will be
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securing sailors. An instance of the
difficulty encountered by masters in
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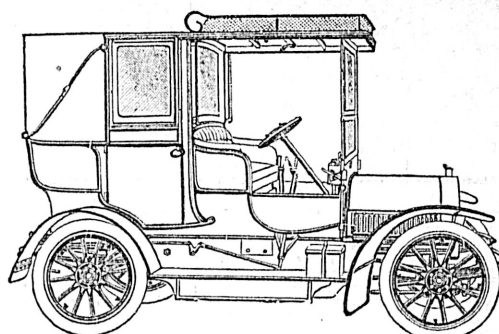
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EMMERSON'S EXIT

REPORTED IN DETAIL

Speeches Delivered On Occasion of Resignation of the Minister of Railways

Supplementing the brief synopsis which the Colonist had by wire from its Ottawa correspondent, is the following more extended report of the speeches in the House of Commons on the occasion of the announcement of the resignation of Hon. Mr. Emmerson.

Ottawa, April 8.—When the House of Commons opened it was at once apparent that Hon. H. R. Emmerson had taken a decisive step. He had moved away from his customary ministerial seat and was occupying that which Hon. C. S. Sifton uses when he is here. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in a speech of great force and vigor, denouncing his assailants and stating that he would leave no stone unturned to vindicate his character. He spoke in an absolute silence, but later on in his vigorous denunciations drew forth applause from his fellow Liberals, and once when Mr. Emmerson remarked that all his enemies were not upon the opposition side several Conservative members ejaculated "Hear, hear."

The resignation of a minister of the Crown under such extraordinary circumstances is unique in Canadian history.

Mr. Emmerson promises to push legal proceedings for all they are worth and if he vindicates himself, as he emphatically declares he will, it is claimed return to take charge of the department which he has just vacated.

Laurier's Explanation.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier said: "Mr. Speaker, before the orders of the day are called I have a communication to make to the house. For some time past my honorable friend and colleague, the minister of railways and canals, has been subjected to insinuations and rumors of a most damaging kind—rumors and insinuations hitherto impalpable and intangible, but which have at last taken the form of a very injurious newspaper article. This article, I have no doubt, is familiar to the members of this house. My honorable friend, the minister of railways and canals, absolutely denies the truth of the allegations set forth in the article, and in order to vindicate his character has tendered his resignation and it has been accepted. The correspondence which has taken place between my honorable friend and myself is as follows:

"Office of the Minister of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, April 1.

"Dear Sir Wilfrid,—You and I have been aware that the attention of parliament has been interrupted by certain insinuations against certain members of your cabinet. These insinuations are difficult to meet, but when the medium of the press has been sought to name me, as one of your colleagues, in a slanderous article, I have directed proceedings to be taken against certain newspapers for the purpose of vindicating myself not only against the truth of the charge, but also against insinuations involved therein. I am conscious that I am in a position to be exonerated in the eyes of the country and myself. My object in taking these proceedings is to vindicate my character, aside from all political considerations. It is expected that you will

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leave here on Thursday for England in the interest not only of Canada, but of the empire and I would be very sorry to be in any way an obstacle to that departure. Of necessity the decision of the courts will not be in time to make you feel free. Feeling as I do that it would be unfair to you, to my colleagues and to the party generally, that I should be under such an imputation while occupying a place in your cabinet, I have, therefore to ask you to accept my resignation as minister of railways and canals. Assuring you of my personal esteem, and of my gratitude for many kindnesses shown by you, and of my belief and adherence to the policy of your government and of the hope that my sure vindication in the end will be a matter of satisfaction to you, I have the honor to be, Sir Wilfrid, yours faithfully,

H. R. EMMERSON.

Laurier Sympathetic.
"To this communication I sent the following reply: My dear Emmerson,—I have come to the conclusion that the course which you take is, under existing circumstances, in the public interest. You owe it to yourself, your colleagues and your friends to clear your character of charges levelled against it. You could well ignore mere insinuations, but direct and specific charges you do well to face as soon as uttered. I will place your resignation in the hands of his excellency. Let me assure you that I, as the effort, labor and zeal with which you struggled to advance public welfare in your most arduous department. Believe me, my dear Emmerson, yours, very sincerely,

"WILFRID LAURIER."

Emmerson Addresses House.
Mr. Emmerson then arose and said: "Mr. Speaker: It will be, perhaps, necessary for me to add a word to the announcement which has been made by the prime minister. I want it to be definite and clear as to what my statement should be and what the indulgence of the house, I shall read it so that it may be understood by the country as a definite and clear statement that there need be no misapprehension as to the words."

Mr. Emmerson then proceeded to read the following statement: "I desire at this time to repeat my denial explicitly and unqualifiedly of the charge which has been made against me by the Frederickton Gleaner, and to say that I have taken steps to secure vindication before the only tribunal having jurisdiction in the premises, the established courts of the law."

"To this end I have given instructions for the issue of writs for libel against the Frederickton Gleaner, the Halifax Herald and the Toronto World and I have been advised of service in at least one of these cases. It is but a question of days in the other two cases if, indeed, at this moment service has not been taken."

Mischief Caused.

Having read the document, Mr. Emmerson laid down the same and proceeded as follows: Mr. Speaker, with the indulgence of the house and with your permission I would like to say one other word. I, in common with every honorable member in this house, recognize the fact that gossip has caused more mischief in the world than have the decrees of tyrants, and while I have been aware, coming to me as they have come to me from time to time, that these slanderous statements were untrue, they have not been made in any tangible way, and I could not have had any means of their cognizance of them."

"In a way I feel relieved to think that this matter has come to a head, but it has reached the point where I will at least be in a position to meet my traducers face to face, (Government cheers.) I do not know, Mr. Speaker, whether it is a fact or not,

that every man in this house is willing to have his private life exposed, do not know if there is any man within the sound of my voice, indeed within this country, who is in a position to say that he has not done wrong."

Not for Investigation.

"I admit that I have had my weaknesses, have had my foibles. Until this matter has got to the point which it has reached, I had not thought that it was a subject matter for parliamentary discussion or parliamentary investigation. I felt this, at least, that the man who was without sin should be the man who should cast the first stone. (Government cheers.)—and while I, standing as I do before the bar of public opinion—and within a very few days will stand before the court of justice, while I will tell the truth and the whole truth—I expect to be judged not by the standard that would be set upon the plea of 'You are another.'"

"While I ask no mercy from that standpoint, if that should be the standard of the people of this country, I shall govern me, and if I am unfit and unworthy of recognition in this house, or in this country, I am willing to go down."

Are There Others?

"But, sir, after that, and when that question has been fought out and determined, there is one other question that members of the house will ask themselves: ask that the people of this country will ask of this house—and it is this:—

"Are there others?"

"Sir, in making that statement and in making the written statement which I have made strong enough—if indeed, I could make it strong enough—as regards the statements in those papers which are untrue, which are false, I want it understood that they are unqualifiedly untrue, and that anything I have ever done either in the city of Montreal, or under any other circumstances, I did to protect the innocent, and I have never been—mark my words, Mr. Speaker, and I make them with full knowledge of the solemnity of the occasion and of the dignity of my position—I have never been in a hotel in the city of Montreal in my life with anybody of ill-repute, and shall take occasion to show that to be untrue. (Government cheers.)"

"Mr. Speaker, it must be recognized, it is recognized, as a crisis in any man's life, when statements of this kind are paraded before the country, and while I almost feel a sense of relief and gratification to know that I am now placed where I can and will meet my traducers, I have been in the position during discussions in this assembly of not knowing whether the insinuations and rumors were aimed at me or not. There was nothing tangible, nothing that I could seize upon, nothing that I could take hold of. But the occasion has come, the time is now here, and I hope to be able to seize the opportunity, so that every man who has hitherto been able to grasp my hand as I have done, and an equal will be able hereafter to feel that he can still grasp my hand and welcome me as heretofore as a friend."

Makes No Appeal

"I make no plea for mercy; I make no appeal other than this, that I want to be considered a man, and if I cannot prove myself a man, even with all my weaknesses, I am willing to go down, down through the depths to which those who are beneath the level of true manhood must go. At this moment I make no reprisals, nothing good friends; I believe I have had my share of the political life of this country, and I say this, that all in the ranks of those who have been my political opponents are not my enemies. And I have this to say further—that I will do my duty fearlessly, and if on a future occasion these matters come before this house, and if a future occasion there is something to be said as has already been announced, I will be here to say my say. I may be here at least to challenge the bonafides of these accusers. I will be here to declare that if political warfare is to be carried on with the weapons of slander, from the gutters of slander and personal gossip, if the political warfare of Canada is to be degraded to that level, it is not only against those on this side of your chair, Mr. Speaker, who are to suffer in that warfare, if the country would know the facts, if the public press which has had detectives on my track and on the track of other ministers of the crown, seeking out matters that are of private moment, let me say that if the employment of detectives is necessary against this side or the other side, there is without stooping to secure evidence in that way, there is evidence in existence, evidence that has not been purchased, but that will be strong, powerful, potent, cogent. And if the great public press of Canada want that evidence it is within their grasp, it is within the grasp of this house, it is within the grasp of this country."

Would Sacrifice Himself

"A number of motives cause me to take the course I do, but the first I speak of is the high regard I have for my leader and the very great esteem in which I hold my colleagues. I would sacrifice myself, though it meant eternal sacrifice, in order that our great and honored leader—not merely

honored my me, and not merely because I say so, but honored by all the people of the country, and not only in Canada and among Canadians, but among the men of all the world—may go to the conference in London, and go there in no sense dragged down by me, in no sense besmirched because men have seen fit to make statements with regard to myself, statements that can prove to be untrue, statements that in my heart I know and realize to be untrue, but yet statements that have been handed about in the hope of injuring me."

"Why, sir, I know of officials of this house who, instead of devoting their time to the duties for which they are paid, have gone to room No. 6 (the Conservative room) to circulate untruths, damnable untruths, with respect to myself, and this I can prove out of the mouths of the men in whose face I look at this moment. And this has been going on unfairly to myself, though it had not come to my knowledge until within a very few days, for these things, as I have said, are kept from everybody who is particularly affected by them until the last moment."

Gossip Coward's Weapons

"Gossip is the weapon of the coward, and the coward seeks out victims whom he thinks to be weak. I may be one, but I am here and if I am not a saint, I am at least a decent sinner. I have said all I should say and probably more than need to be said, but I speak in justification of myself as a member of this house and I propose to conduct myself as a member of this house ought to do, and if those who stand upon pedestals of their own creation want to take action let them take action, and they must take action now that they have gone so far. I am actuated by a sense of duty first of all to myself, and actuated in the second place by a sense of the duty that I owe to my revered and honored colleague in the government and to my colleagues, the members of this house."

Sense of Duty Rules

"But higher and above all, is the sense of duty that I owe to my constituents. I owe to the people of this country; and I ask them and the members of this house one thing, and I think I have a right to ask it, appealing merely to their sense of British fair play, to suspend their judgment, to await the verdict; and if I am convicted, and if then the words are proved to be untrue, I shall ask no more."

"Unfortunately, sir, in life, and with our weak humanity, we are apt to think ill of our fellows, we are too prone to accept the word and the idle utterance of this gossip, and to say that it must be true because it has been said, that it must be true because it has been written. I know that in my personal experience I had more letters of condemnation, more letters of complaint and fault-finding than I have ever had of congratulation or approval, but I have had the pleasure, even though sometimes undeserved, of being called a saint, a savior, a hero, a martyr, a patriot, a statesman, a man of judgment awaiting the day when I can meet face to face those who have been striking me under the belt and stabbing me in the dark. In meeting them I have this confident assurance that I shall be able to vindicate my honor and my character. Reputation is not everything, and everything, and my course will be taken to vindicate my character, which is the only asset I have after a lifetime of struggle."

Given Life to Country

"I came to this house a poor man. I go out of this government a poor man. The man does not live who can say taught to the contrary. If I had devoted my life to my profession I could have gone on laying the foundation of a fortune, and I have given my life to my country. I have given my best toward that country, and in the discharge of my duties as minister of railways and canals I have endeavored to treat all men with courtesy, but I have endeavored above all to be honest, straightforward and true. I leave the government from a sense of duty; I am here yet as a member of this house, and I owe a duty to my constituency, my friends and to my family. As I have been able to discharge that duty in the past, I hope that I may be able to discharge it in the future."

Press Comment

Toronto, April 3.—In an editorial headed, "Devoid of Courage," the World this morning says: "Sir Wilfrid Laurier could have saved the country from much scandal-mongering had he removed from office the men he had warned. It was a duty he owed to the people. It was a duty he owed to his party, that there were not sufficient Liberals in his following at Ottawa to force the minister's resignation. It was a duty he owed to the public, that he should not have allowed the Liberal newspaper, that had the courage to say George W. Ross when he was riding to destruction, and the same is true of Sir Wilfrid today. The one member from Western Ontario credited with saying he intended going to Sir Wilfrid to protest against his neighbor and minister was none the less active in uniting against the mass motion for the investigation of the charges."

"In the great crisis of his political life Sir Wilfrid has found himself without courageous advisers."

Does Not Clear Air

Toronto, April 2.—The Mail and Empire this morning says: "The dramatic resignation of Emmerson, minister of railways, does not clear the air at Ottawa. On the contrary, it opens the door to speculation and suspicion, and renders the cabinet even more acute. A few days ago an Eastern paper made the insinuation, with reference to the moral conduct of Emmerson, and the minister deemed it wise setting himself right. The course taken by Emmerson was correct. The country expects members of parliament to be free from the sin attributed to that gentleman, and when the sin is charged, the law courts must be appealed to if accusation is unjust."

Pointing out that whereas Emmerson's resignation was accepted, although his declaration of confidence backed by Liberal support, and that the Premier accepted the denial of practically similar charges against Hyman, and refused to accept that minister's resignation, the Mail concludes that Emmerson has been sacrificed in order to placate the public. It adds:

"The minister is abandoned, in the hope he will be regarded as a scapegoat, and the ministry as a whole will escape the disapprobation it now experiences. But it is improbable that the manoeuvre will have the effect intended. Whatever is wrong is wrong, with the cabinet as a whole, and the public cannot be cleansed by any half measure."

"The Globe does not deal with the matter editorially."

CAME ALL THE WAY FROM AFRICA

Party of Immigrants Reach Canadian West From Orange River Colony

There is no gainsaying the fact that the name Western Canada has become known throughout the civilized world as being synonymous with prosperity, and remarkable as it may seem, people are flocking here from the uttermost parts of the earth in order that they may get in on the ground floor and secure a first-class farm for the mere claiming of it, says the Winnipeg Tribune.

From Australia they come, from New Zealand, from the Southern States and South America, from Iceland in the north and from all parts of Europe and Asia, each and all intent on securing that blessed boon of civilization, independence. Yesterday there arrived in the city from the Orange river colony, in far off South Africa, a man and his three children, who have been travelling even since the 14th February last in order to get here. Join the name of the man, the immigrant, and his eldest daughter is only ten years of age, the youngest child being little more than an infant. Their mother died a short time ago.

All four are tanned and dark brown with the tropical sun, and the father wears the flowing beard and moustache that one would expect to associate with the photographs of the pioneers of the South African country.

Mr. Lofts stated that he had become persuaded that Canada was "the promised land" through reading advertisements inserted in a London, Eng., paper by the Canadian representative in Great Britain. He had immediately started a correspondence with Preston, the agent in London, and as a result of this had determined to make the long trip.

Being unable to get passage through to Canada the party had come by way of Liverpool and thence to New York.

Mr. Lofts says that on the boat from Capetown to Liverpool were several families bound for Canada, and that both in South Africa and all along the way the interest in Canada was very manifest.

Canadians Losing Opportunities
It is wonderful why the young Canadians do not want to possess the land and suggested that perhaps it was the old case of "familiarity breeding contempt."

The pioneering experiences are some, what is said, "but that is that to a young man for a period of only eighteen months? Why, in South Africa at the time of the war—and then followed a story of some of the hardships and privations endured during that memorable period. Mr. Lofts served during the famous Jameson raid and also in four corps during the beer war, namely, the Natal Rifles, the Cape Corps, the Orange Free State Rifles, and the Rand Rifles, which latter service was compulsory.

Mr. Lofts was in several engagements, in one of which he had his hand so badly shattered that he has almost lost the use of three fingers. He showed the reporter his medal and three bars.

On leaving England some years ago he first went to Australia, where he stayed for three seasons, and from there went to Johannesburg, where he has been engaged in mining and sheep raising for the past eighteen years.

During the past couple of years he had had luck with his flocks, having lost several hundred sheep, in referring to this, he said: "They would drop dead at all seasons of the year, when it rained, and when it didn't rain," and when this became monotonous he thought it would be a safe venture to give the Canadian Northwest a try."

It is his intention to go through to Battleford and from there to the Tramping lake district, forty miles south, where he will, in all probability, buy land as well as homes.

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PRINCE ALBERT LUMBER

Prince Albert, Sask., April 8.—Logging operations are now complete in this district, an unusually long and favorable season having enabled the different companies to make the record cut. Upward of 60,000,000 feet of timber is now on the ice, and the arrival of this at the city mills will insure the operation of every piece of machinery at its full capacity for the next twelve months.

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Cleveland, April 8.—The Standard Oil Company today put up quotations on all grades of refined oil at 1 1/2 cent per gallon. Quotations on gasoline and naphtha are unchanged.

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ADVANCES SCHOOL GARDEN SCHEME

New Movement Launched by Inspector Wilson at Teachers' Convention

Yesterday was a day of interest and substantial progress in the teachers' convention, says the Nelson News of Thursday last. A great deal of important work was covered, including the launching of a campaign by Inspector David Wilson of Victoria in favor of the adoption of a system of school gardens throughout British Columbia; the adoption of a resolution by the convention favoring a readjustment of the departmental regulations so as to allow teachers holding old second class certificates to proceed to first class grade by easy stages; the unanimous pronouncement of the high school masters against the present system of Christmas entrance examinations; and the delivery of two valuable addresses by Mr. A. McIntyre, principal of the Winnipeg Normal school, who is the star oratorical attraction of the convention.

The morning opened with an excellent paper on language work in the primary grade read by Miss S. Hewton, of Grand Forks. On it the discussion was led by Miss Elizabeth Thom of the local staff. Both Miss Hewton and Miss Thom acquitted themselves creditably and won encomiums from the president for their excellent presentation of the subject they handled. Later in the day the work was supplemented by an address from Miss E. Atkinson of Revelstoke on language teaching in the intermediate grade—an address, the discussion of which was opened by Miss L. Thomas, another Nelson teacher. Miss Atkinson made several excellent suggestions concerning methods she had adopted with her own class. Miss Thomas referred to a serious difficulty which had to be met and overcome when she pointed out that many pupils who used good English in school were accustomed to indulge in very faulty diction when out of school restraint. This she thought was due to home laxity; and as a child was away from school 13 hours out of the 24, it was very difficult for the teacher in the remaining six hours to overcome the bad influence of outside or home surroundings. Valuable as were both of the papers, the discussions which followed were very brief. The members of the institute seem very diffident about taking the floor. This may be explained by the fact that

the great bulk of those in attendance are of the gentler sex. Who Will Be Pioneer? Following Miss Hewton's contribution in the morning, Inspector Wilson read a paper, the importance of which can hardly be exaggerated. He dealt very comprehensively with the subject of school gardens, urging their adoption in British Columbia, and winding up by asking the teachers the pointed question: "Who will be the pioneer in starting the movement?" Mr. W. Elley of Rossland opened the discussion. He questioned the good judgment of the executive in selecting him for the task; for, as he said, he had taught for six years in Rossland, a place where it would be impossible to start a garden without first importing soil and then arranging some climatic changes. He had never seen a school garden—nor, in fact, had he very often seen a garden of any other description. To make up for his own ignorance on the subject, he read a pertinent article from an educational journal. Finally, he said in answer to Mr. Wilson's closing question, that as Mr. Wilson was the originator of the ideas as far as British Columbia was concerned, and as he lived in Victoria, the garden city of British Columbia, it was only fitting that he himself should be the pioneer. The suggestion was received so enthusiastically that it was at once stamped with the popular approval of the convention.

Mr. Irwin of Ymir, created a diversion. He strictly objected to the idea if its adoption meant that any time was to be taken out of the school hours, which brief enough, were already overcrowded by the multiplicity of subjects on the curriculum. He didn't mind manual training; there was some sense in that. But school gardens! They weren't needed in the least. In Nelson every home had a garden in the parlor of some other part of the house and the children had plenty of opportunity for practical nature study. Mr. Irwin drew a touching parallel between the idea of a series of school gardens in British Columbia and the prevalence of the drinking habit in England; but his point was not altogether clear. Finally, he informed the convention that he never would be played for a sucker, and that when in the woods he always asked a Siwash for the trail, but he did not take time to explain either the appropriateness or the value of the information.

Indeed, he was not given time, for the chair interfered and requested him to stick to the subject before the convention. Mr. Irwin said he was doing so, in a general way; but the chair thought it was too general altogether. The teacher from Ymir accordingly subsided, but as he did so he said, sotto voce, that he would like "to meet any one of these fellows, but they would not meet him."

Cites a Difficulty. R. Sandels of Golden cited a practical difficulty in the way of the adoption of Mr. Wilson's scheme. He said that, even supposing that the gardens were well started in the spring, and were well cared for and flourishing until early summer, the holidays would bring six weeks of neglect which would utterly ruin them. He admitted, however, that if this difficulty could be overcome, the gardens would undoubtedly prove a real value from many points of view. He thought the solution might lie in a government grant and financial assistance from the school board.

Inspector Wilson said that in the States where the system had already been adopted with marked success, provision was made for the proper summer care of the gardens.

A. Sullivan of Nelson welcomed the suggestion. He thought that it would prove a "good" experiment. School teaching, in his opinion, was an art and a science. To prove this he cited the fecklessness of British Columbia with regard to the "rule of three" and the unitary method and likewise with regard to the vertical system of handwriting. He pointed to some of Inspector Wilson's former triumphs as an innovator, notably in securing the establishment of school libraries and in inducing the teachers to prepare school exhibits, and expressed the opinion that the inspector would make good his new campaign in favor of school gardens just as he had made good in his other campaigns.

Parents Might Object. Principal Burns of the Vancouver Normal school, approved of the idea, but pointed out one danger. He had had some practical experience along this same line and in an effort to do what Mr. Wilson was now doing had met with a serious rebuff at the hands of certain parents, who told him that they "did not send their children to school to dig."

The discussion was closed by President Gordon, who cited the remarkable case of an Austrian lad who, reared in a country which boasts 20,000 school gardens, found himself when grown up under orders from his parents to go to work in a city. He preferred the country life—for he had acquired a taste for it through his intimate acquaintance with the school gardens, and to gratify his preference he ran away from home, ultimately found his way to America, and is now living within a hundred miles of Nelson—one of the most successful fruit growers in this district and rated as worth at least half a million dollars. This example the chairman said, offered a painful contrast to the custom in Canada, where all boys seem to think that they must rush to the city as soon as their public school days are over. He was pleased to inform the convention that Inspector Wilson's idea was already receiving practical attention in British Columbia, for three school boards in the Okanagan were considering the advisability of inaugurating school gardens.

Mr. McIntyre Speaks. In the afternoon W. A. McIntyre, principal of the Winnipeg Normal school, the chief speaker of the convention, delivered his initial address—the first of a series of three. Intended for the teachers alone, it was somewhat technical in nature, but none the less interesting on that account. Tak-

ing as his text the 'gospel of work,' he delved into the mysteries of methods, condemning the 'entertainment' system, with its 'moo cow' reading, its 'peppermint' arithmetic, and its 'dicky bird' singing, as suited only to divert the attention of the child from the work in hand; and he condemned as severely the compulsion system—the system that sternly said to the child 'there is your work, do it,' as just as unfortunate in its results. Between the two he found the happy medium—the system of work-play, of appealing to and following the lead of the child's natural interests. His observations were well summed up in the following double set of five propositions, with their three corollaries:

Teaching. 1. In teaching, the performance of a pupil is second in importance to his mental attitude during performance. 2. The attitude desired is that which accompanies happy, willing service. 3. Such attitude results, not when teachers endeavor to entertain nor coerce, but when they appeal to native and acquired interests of pupils. 4. Pupils who are happily employed in activities which appeal to their interest and desires, will naturally seek for information and definite instruction. 5. Directions from teachers should be in response to a felt need of the pupils.

Government. 1. In conduct, the act of a pupil is second in importance to the mental attitude which accompanies the act. 2. The mental attitude desired is that of helpful co-operative activity in a social community. 3. This attitude results, not from coaxing and pleading nor from coercion, but from an appeal to a pupil's sense of what is right and fitting. 4. Those pupils who are thoughtfully endeavoring to serve in a social community will naturally seek for rules—explicit or implicit—which will guide them in their conduct. 5. Rules governing conduct should be in response to a felt need of these pupils.

Corollaries. 1. A rule should seem to the pupils to be a concrete direction that corresponds to the law which they find in their own being. It should as far as possible be something evolved rather than something imposed. 2. The thing to worry about is not that a pupil is noisy, tardy, insolent, but that he has an attitude to society which will permit tardiness, insolence and noise. 3. There should be no greater uniformity in the rules governing children and in the punishments meted out, than in the programme of studies for the successive grades, and for special individual cases. At the close of the afternoon session, the resolution committee brought in a preliminary report. It offered five resolutions for the consideration of the convention, and all of these were adopted without amendment, although the one referring to the change in the system of teachers' examinations intending to make it easier for second class certificate holders to reach first class grade, provoked animated discussion and was only passed after a close division. The five resolutions were:

1. Accepting an invitation to the dominion education association convention to be held in Toronto during the coming summer. Of this association W. A. McIntyre is president, and in opening his address in the afternoon he brought to the B. C. convention the greetings of the older and larger body. 2. Expressing the opinion that British Columbia should send a delegate, at the expense of the government, to an Empire educational convention to be held in London, England, this year. 3. Endorsing the proposal to have the provincial education department regulations so amended as to make it possible for teachers holding old second class certificates to reach first class standing by easy grades; and approving of the appointment of a standing committee to draft a comprehensive scheme and press it on the attention of the education department. 4. Extending thanks to Capt. Lorne Stewart of the R.M.R., and through him to the militia department, for the use of the drill hall for convention purposes. 5. Extending thanks to the entertainment committee for the splendid reception tendered on Tuesday night and to the transportation companies and hotels for special accommodation. Just before adjournment the following were elected honorary members of the institute: W. A. McIntyre of Winnipeg; the members of the Nelson school board; and trustee Hyman of Vernon, who came all the way to Nelson to manifest his interest in educational matters by attending the convention.

FORT WILLIAM ENTERPRISE. Fort William, April 8.—The Hume Structural Works has commenced on the Canadian Iron and Foundry Company at West Fort William, and an immense gang of men are at work pushing on the structure, which will be rushed through to a conclusion as speedily as possible.

WITH THE FRUIT GROWERS. President Johnson of Provincial Association Gives Address at Vernon. Vernon News: President Johnson of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association, and Secretary Brandt arrived up from Summerland yesterday, where they had been attending the quarterly meeting of the association. Mr. Johnson is from Nelson and Mr. Brandt from New Westminster district. They were also accompanied here by Mr. Balby, who has lately come from England and has become interested in fruit raising in the Kootenay country. Yesterday afternoon the gentlemen gave a pruning exhibition at the orchard of Mr. Tennant. There was a good attendance of prominent fruit growers. Last night, in the courthouse, the officers of the B. C. Fruit Growers Association held a meeting at which President Webster of the local society presided. Mr. Brandt gave a most interesting lecture on spraying the different mixtures, the desirability of

their purity and how to obtain same. If orchards are to be kept free from pests, said Mr. Brandt, and perfect fruit grown, then proper and thorough fruit spraying must be had. He told of the work being done at present on the lower Mainland and Vancouver Island to rid the country of the 40-year orchards which were hotbeds of corruption. The fruit pest inspector had undertaken a great work and should be supported by all fruit growers in the province. The meeting in Summerland had endorsed the work, so had the fruit growers at Kelowna, Wednesday, and Mr. Brandt hoped the Vernon society would do likewise. Thereupon a resolution to the following effect was unanimously passed: That this meeting heartily endorses the crusade against fruit pests being so vigorously waged by the chief inspector, which will tend to raise the excellency of the fruit grown. President Johnston, who is one of the leading and most successful fruit growers in the Kootenay, addressed the meeting. His talk was mainly on co-operation for the whole province. He forcibly described the evils existing at present on account of the different sections of the province coming in competition with each other in the Prairie Provinces. He also pointed out that while British Columbia could not in the next fifteen years, if ever, supply all demands for fruit in the great Northwest, yet last summer owing to want of co-operation in placing proper towns were glutted at certain periods while others were without a single box of fruit. If there were co-operation and agents acting for the fruit growers of the whole province this sort of thing could not exist. After considerable discussion, a resolution similar to the ones at Summerland and Kelowna was passed to the following effect: That this meeting advocates in the strongest possible manner for all the fruit growers in the province to act collectively and appoint salesmen in the Northwest that would safeguard the interests of the fruit growers of the entire province. President Webster was elected a delegate to the convention that will be held shortly (in Vernon, it is expected) to effectively handle this question of provincial co-operation. Mr. Balby, lately from England, spoke a few words to the assembled fruit growers. He told of the superiority of B. C. fruit over that raised in England, and of the unlimited demand at high prices for fruit of the first quality. The meeting broke up with a hearty vote of thanks to the speakers. Mr. Brandt will spend a few days in this vicinity inspecting the orchards before returning to the coast.

DIARRHOEA AND DYSENTERY NOT CONFINED TO SUMMER. They affect people in the winter, too; in the one case due to improper eating, in the other to congested conditions excited by cold. Quite easy to cure these troubles if the right remedy is used. Very small doses of Nervine repeated every four or two removes any sense of discomfort. If there is pain, relief is immediate. Nervine treats causes, that's why it never fails to cure. Not a pain or an ache, not a bruise or uneasy feeling that's not quickly cured by Nervine. Hundreds of thousands of 25c bottles sold every year.

COLD STORAGE WAREHOUSES. C. P. R. Equipping Liverpool to Handle Transatlantic Trade. In order to further increase the efficiency of their cold storage trade service, the Canadian Pacific railway is building an extensive refrigerator warehouse at Liverpool, which will be used exclusively for their trans-Atlantic trade. By this step it will be possible for goods to be transferred in cold storage from British Columbia to the British market with only two changes—from the train to the ship and from the ship to the Liverpool warehouse, where they will await shipment to the dealers. The cold storage building will be erected at the Sandon docks, Liverpool, where the C. P. R. boats discharge their cargo. It will cost about \$25,000, and it to be one of the most modern designs, with apparatus for regulating the degree of cold in various chambers, so that some may be merely chilled while others may be brought well above the freezing point. The advantage of this is that cheap and other similar produce, which is not shipped across the Atlantic in refrigerator chambers, may be placed in chilled chambers at Liverpool, and thus kept in the very best market condition. The refrigerator service is chiefly intended for the Expresses, whose cold storage cars they have owned since they took the utmost. This is the first time that so complete a refrigerator service has been inaugurated between Canada and England, and will have a marked effect in improving the quality of the dairy and other perishable products sent to the Old Country, with a proportionate increase in demand and price.

TO BE DYSPEPTIC IS TO BE MISERABLE. Hopeless, Confused and Depressed in Mind, Forgetful, Irresolute, Drowsy, Languid and Useless. This disease assumes so many forms that there is scarcely a complaint which it may not resemble in one way or another. Among the most prominent symptoms are constipation, sour stomach, variable appetite, heartburn, water-brash, gas in the stomach and bowels, distress after eating, etc. BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS is a positive cure for dyspepsia, and all diseases of the stomach, liver, bowels or blood. It stimulates secretion of the saliva, and gastric juices to facilitate digestion, removes acidity, purifies the blood and tones the entire system to full health and vigor. Mrs. M. A. McNeil, Brook Village, N.S., writes: "I suffered from dyspepsia, loss of appetite and bad blood. I tried everything I could get but to no purpose; then finally started to use Burdock Blood Bitters. From the first day I felt the good effects of the medicine. I can eat anything now without any ill after effects and am strong and well again." Price \$1.00 per bottle or 6 bottles for \$5.00.

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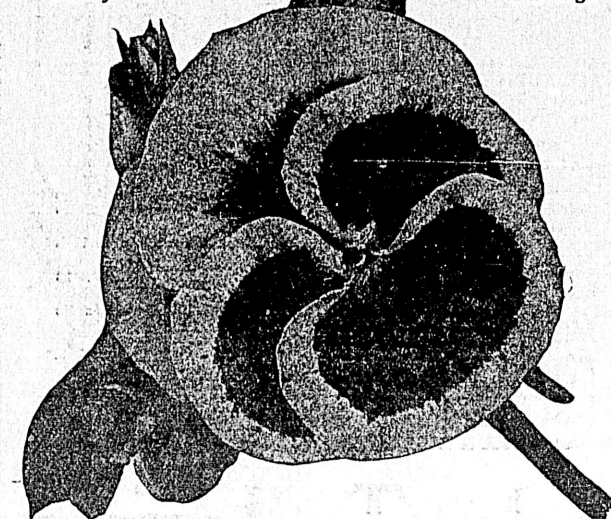
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INDIAN FATHERS SELL THEIR LITTLE GIRLS

Rev. Mr. Pearson of Alert Bay
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Among the guests at the Dominion hotel is H. Pearson, of Alert Bay, an Anglican church missionary to the Indians of the Kwa-gul agency. Questioned by the Colonist last night Mr. Pearson said that there is little change in conditions at Alert Bay. There is probably a greater interest being taken in lumbering matters than heretofore, but the work is being done mostly by individual loggers.

"About the only news from Alert Bay that I heard of," said he, "is that for the past two months the Zawadink Indians have been holding the greatest 'potlatch' which has occurred there since I first arrived in that field, two and a half years ago."

Mr. Pearson said that it was hard to explain the exact nature of a "potlatch," its significance being understood by few white men and hardly understood even by the Indians themselves. He likened it to a miniature Wall Street, everybody trying to get the best of everybody else. The name "potlatch" was a Chinook word, meaning "to give," and its application arose from the custom of attaining tribal honors by the giving of presents, the man giving away the largest amount of goods being held in highest esteem by the tribe and becoming a person of high authority.

"The conditions at one of these 'potlatches' are almost indescribable," said Mr. Pearson. "In this case about 700 Indians from the different branches of the Kwa-gul nation assembled at Alert Bay. For the shelter of these people there were only about two dozen houses in the Indian village and the fifth and squander were terrible. The whole time is taken up with gambling and the making of 'potlatches'."

Among the customs of these Indians is one which Mr. Pearson thought should be brought to the attention of the provincial government and in regard to which some drastic action should be taken. This is the custom of marriage which prevails and which is one of the various forms of speculation in which they indulge. A member of the tribe buys a wife, paying to the girl's father a consideration ranging in value from that of 500 to 1,000 blankets, according to the bride's social position in the tribe. The girl herself is not consulted in the deal and in many cases is not more than a mere child in years. After the exchange has been affected it is quite permissible for the bride's parents to make underhand attempts to induce her to leave her husband and return to them. Should they succeed in the endeavor it is up to the husband to pay an additional sum in order to regain possession of her. If he declines to do so the father is at liberty to sell her to another suitor and in this way it often happens that a girl may have several husbands in turn.

On the other hand, if the girl elects to remain with her husband, after a period of about three years the father has to return to his son-in-law the purchase price of his bride, plus one hundred per cent. Here is where the speculation on the husband's part comes in and to illustrate the point Mr. Pearson instanced a case which came to his notice a few months ago. A man of thirty years of age purchased a twelve-year-old girl and on being reproached on the score of her youth, replied that he did not want the girl at all. So far as he was concerned it was a business deal in which he hoped to double his investment. Mr. Pearson was very strong

in his denunciation of these practices and thought that the government should take steps to suppress them, as they undoubtedly tend to undermine the moral and physical stamina of the tribes.

DEBATE CONTINUES IN THE LEGISLATURE

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the amendment would not be withdrawn. He characterized the legislation as "graft."

Mr. Macdonald made another statement in which he made a strong appeal for further consideration of the measure.

Advised Delay
Mr. Munro, in behalf of the lay members of the House, wished to say that, after a lengthy discussion, he did not know "where he was at." The Premier and the leader of the opposition had given legal opinions as to the disposition of royalties on these lands, which were at variance. In view of the fact that there appeared to be some doubt, and because of the extreme importance of the matter, he advised some delay in the passage of the measure. At any rate, before voting he wished to know what would happen to the royalties and from where the lands would be selected.

Explained Again
The Premier explained again that it was the intention that the royalties on timber would go to the university, and that those on minerals would be reserved to the crown.

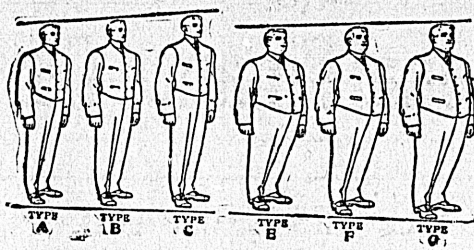
The Attorney-General
Attorney-General Fulton said that if it was noticed, the bill provided that the land should be disposed of under the Land Act. Therefore the royalties on mineral and coal lands would be reserved to the crown. The matter of timber royalties was different, and would, as mentioned, go to the university.

On motion the committee rose and reported progress.

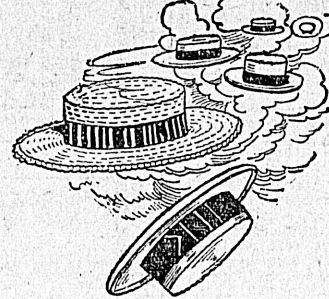
After the transaction of other business of a routine character, the House adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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It is a mistake to imagine that the effects of piles are local, for, as a matter of fact, they sap the vitality of mind and body and slowly lead to the ruin of health. Dr. Chase's Ointment brings almost instant relief from the itching, burning, stinging sensations of piles, and is a thorough and positive cure for every form of this wretched, torturing, and oftentimes, stubborn disease.

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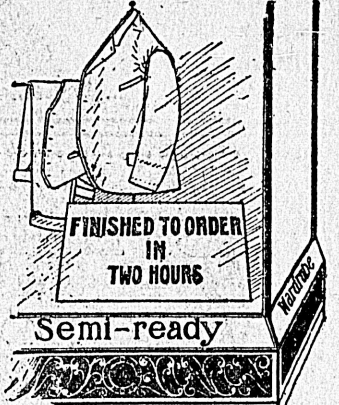
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CLOTHIERS AND HATTERS

HALF HOLIDAY MATTER IS NOT YET DECIDED

Agreement to Close Has Not Received Signatures of All Grocers

The Wednesday half holiday for the grocery clerks of the city is at present a very uncertain matter and unless every grocer doing business in the city can be induced to sign the agreement to close, it is very unlikely that the clerks will receive the short respite from business which they secured last summer. At present every grocer with the exception of one has signed the agreement but this one has caused all the others to hang back. During the latter part of last month, the clerks took the matter up and circulated a petition, requesting the owners to close their stores every Wednesday afternoon, from one o'clock, commencing the first Wednesday in April. Two of the city grocers have failed to sign. One absolutely refuses to close his place of business for half a day but is willing to close every day of the week except on Saturdays. The other is willing to sign provided all sign but he will not do so as long as one refuses to fall in line. The question is thus at a standstill and unless the single exception consents to close, every one of the clerks in the city will have to work six days a week and overtime on Saturday. Several of the employers are strongly in favor of the proposal and are anxious that their customers should express their opinion on the question. It is not unlikely that within the next week or two the matter will be decided. The various stores will be asked whether or not they are in favor of giving the clerks a half holiday on Wednesdays. The manner of taking the vote has not been decided but it is very likely that every purchaser of groceries will be given a slip of paper requesting them to say yes or no to the question of Wednesday afternoon closing. The clerks as well as some of the employers claim that it is impossible to close their places of business every evening at five o'clock as at that time the clerks are out and the inside clerks are having the busiest part of the day. The grocer clerks are not bothering with any but their own line of business but they are expecting to see the employees of the other merchants in the city take the matter up.

A CAPTAIN OF INDUSTRY

John R. Booth Hale and Hearty at the Age of Eighty

Ottawa, April 5.—John R. Booth, one of the industrial kings of whom Canada is justly proud, celebrated his eightieth birthday today. He bears the burden of his years lightly and is still in personal charge of the vast industries out of which he has made many millions of dollars.

Mr. Booth is a lumberman, a lumberman of Canada. His timber lands aggregate 4,250 square miles, and if stretched in a line would make a strip one mile wide from the Atlantic to the Pacific across Canada. His great mill complex, 1,500 to 1,600 men during the summer, or sawing season, and 400 in the winter, while in the latter season there are between 2,000 and 3,000 men and 1,000 horses at work in the woods felling the great trees which ultimately reach his lumber yards. Most of his timber lands are adjacent to the upper Ottawa, in both Ontario and Quebec.

As a boy in the eastern part of Quebec, where he was born, his mind ran to water, wheels, and his boyish diversions were along the line of building miniature steam engines until in a comparatively few years he became the "lumber king" of Canada.

MARINE NOTES.

Bellingham on Monday, where she will load lumber.

WILL NOT REPLACE STEAMSHIP DAKOTA

Great Northern May Abandon the Pacific in Favor of the Japanese

The Great Northern Railway company has decided not to construct a new steamship to replace the Dakota, which is fast being broken up on Osaka Reef, near Cotohama. The latest news from the scene of the wreck is that the wrecking company has been compelled to abandon all work on the sunken vessel, and the heavy seas are rapidly pounding her to pieces.

The decision of the Great Northern to build another vessel is largely due to the fact that the end sought by Hill in constructing the Dakota has been attained. This end is said to have been a powerful club over the heads of the English and Japanese lines to compel them to give the bulk of their freight to the Hill line of railways in the United States. The construction of the Dakota and Minnesota, and their operation compelled the Nippon Yusen Kaisha line to enter an agreement with Hill whereby his railway lines secured a substantial share of the freight from Japan and China to American destinations. It is thought that before very long the Minnesota will be turned over to the Japanese, and that the Great Northern will operate to assist them to secure control of the Oriental trade on the Pacific ocean.

CUTS THREE DAYS OFF OCEAN VOYAGE

Blackod Bay Line Finds Great Favor in Britain—To Dwarf the Atlantic

LONDON, March 29.—The rapid development of Canada and the growing importance of the part which she must play as a leading state of the empire, holding the keys to the two oceans of the Atlantic, has emphasized the necessity of better and more rapid communication between her territory and the mother country. To meet this demand a scheme has been prepared, and is now to be carried out, which will bring Montreal within five days of London by rail and steamship. At present the journey requires seven to eight days, and sometimes even longer.

How Atlantic Is Dwarfed
The leading features of this great project for dwarfing the Atlantic are as follows:

1. The establishment of a service of fast twenty-five knot steamships, capable of making the voyage from the Irish coast to Halifax, in Canada, in three and a half days.

2. The construction of new railways to connect the point selected on the Irish coast with the existing Irish system. The railways to be built to permit of a speed with passenger service of fifty miles an hour.

3. The establishment of train ferries, carrying passengers and goods trains between the Irish and Scotch or English ports, so that passengers have not to change carriages, or bulk to be broken with goods.

Start Made From Point in Ireland
The place selected on the Irish coast as the starting point of the new lines of steamers and railways is Termon, a small island on Blackod Bay. Blackod Bay is one of the most magnificent harbors on the western coast of Ireland, with deep water, a wide entrance and an ample and well sheltered anchorage. It is the point in the British Isles geographically nearest to Canada.

The distance by sea from Blackod Bay to Halifax is 2,100 miles. It is less than 1,000 miles than the distance from Liverpool or Southampton to New York. Nor is this its only advantage. An express liner starting from Liverpool or Southampton has to steam for hours through waters congested with shipping, where the extreme caution and the lowest speed have to be employed in fog or thick weather. A vessel starting from Blackod Bay, which lies off the main maritime highways, could proceed full speed through the fog belt, which commonly lies off shore.

Connecting Line to Be Built
Notice has been given of the intention to proceed in parliament with a bill to sanction a line to be known as the Collooney, Ballina and Belmullet railways, which will connect the Midland, Great Western, Great Southern and Western, Sligo and Leitrim, and the Northern and Ireland with Termon and Blackod Bay by a railway about 100 miles long running from Collooney, near Sligo, to Termon. This line will be constructed on the mixed Irish and English gauge, so as to admit trains ferried across from England running upon it. The distance between Blackod Bay and London is 681 miles, and would be covered in about fourteen hours, traveling via Larne and making use of a train ferry at that point.

On the Canadian side, Halifax, with an improved train service, would be distant only from eighteen to twenty hours from Montreal, and is connected by the Intercolonial line with the three great Canadian transcontinental systems: the Canadian Pacific, Grand Trunk and Canadian Northern. All three lines are seeking to secure settlers to Canada and during the past season Canada has been receiving 1,000 immigrants per day.

DISPOSES OF LAND ON COWICHAN LAKE

C. Bailey Sells 220 Acres for \$35,000—Other Deals Are Reported

Several large deals in real estate involving a considerable amount of acreage property were reported yesterday. Among these was the turnover of 220 acres on Cowichan Lake. The property was bought from C. Bailey by a local man, and the price paid was \$35,000. The land is all situated in the neighborhood of the lake, having a half mile of frontage on the water. It has all been logged over, and although but little of it is really cleared, the greater part is in such a state that it will require but comparatively little heavy work to render it fit for cultivation. The price is regarded as being very reasonable and the purchase is looked upon among real estate men as being one of the best that has been made for a long time.

The sale was made by Bond & Clarke, and the same firm reports several other deals also involving considerable acreage. In the Mount Tolmie district they recently negotiated a turnover involving a good house and seven and three-quarter acres of land, the price in this case being \$9,700. On the Gorge, too, Bond & Clarke have recently negotiated the sale of some 34 acres of land. This property is situated on what is generally known as Portage Inlet, and is for the most part uncleared. The locality is extremely beautiful, and it is the intention of the purchaser, C. F. Lindmark, of Revelstoke, to divide it and sell it for residential purposes. The vendor of the property was E. E. Welsh of this city.

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This is the first time Mr. Gervais has been out from the Yukon since he first went into the district in 1898. One of the first prospects he staked was the Valerie, which is one of the principal properties involved in the present deal. The purchase of the various copper properties has been put through by Col. W. S. Thomas, of Philadelphia, who represents a syndicate of capitalists of Harrisburg and Philadelphia. Among the properties already purchased are those held by a Dawson syndicate headed by A. B. Palmer, including the Valerie and Copper King and Col. Thomas is negotiating for the purchase of the Corvett group and the Pueblo, the latter alone involving something like one million dollars.

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Speaking of the district, Mr. Gervais said that the town of White Horse has now a population of about 500 people and the express of determination of the Thomas syndicate to spend about \$3,000,000 in development work this year will probably cause a considerable increase in this number. One of the great needs of the district is a smelter, but he did not think there was much chance of one being established in the near future. Such a project was mooted by the Palmer syndicate when they secured their properties at White Horse during the past winter, but the re-sale of these properties will probably cause them to abandon the idea.

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at 12:30 p. m., where it will tie up for the night. It departs from Maeloed the next morning at 9 o'clock, and will reach Strathcona, Canada, at 10:45 p. m. Returning trains will leave Strathcona at 9 a. m., and reach Maeloed at 11:05 p. m. The train lies over at Maeloed until 3 o'clock the next morning, when it will start for Spokane, reaching here at 8 p. m. This city has been reached by train every day. The purpose of the road is to shorten the time between Spokane and local points and the Canadian Pacific main line about twenty-four hours.

ENGLAND MAY ABOLISH HANGING

Bill to be Shortly Presented to Parliament—Many Reprieves of Late

London, March 31.—Horace C. Rayner, the young man who shot and killed William Whiteley, the well known merchant, on Jan. 24, and was sentenced to be hanged, has been reprieved by Mr. Gladstone, home secretary, having advised the King to commute the sentence to penal servitude for life. The newspaper editorials this morning generally prove the action as accurately reflecting public opinion, although the ground of the home secretary's decision is admittedly based more on sentiment than law. The opportunity is taken advantage of to discover phases of similarity between the Rayner and Thaw cases. The sheriff of Hull is quoted as saying: "Thank God for a Thaw and a Rayner, who are prepared to give their lives to rid the world of such pests to society as White and Whiteley."

The reprieve has raised the question of the abolition of capital punishment, a bill for which is expected to be shortly presented to parliament. The London Weekly News suggests that the numerous reprieves in recent years promise the early abolition of capital punishment in this country.

RAILWAY MEN'S WAGES

Agreement Between Western Railways and Firemen

Chicago, April 9.—The agreement between 31 railroads west of Chicago and the Brotherhoods of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers was signed today. The pay of firemen of all classes of engines is to be increased 25 cents per day of ten hours or less, 100 miles or less, over the rate of pay in effect January 1, 1907. No change is made in computing time, and the advance is not to apply to men working on a basis of 12½ miles per hour. The rate of firemen in first class yards is to be \$2.25 per day of ten hours, overtime pro rata. In all other yards the rate is to be \$2.15.

The maximum rate for firemen in the passenger service on engines having cylinders under 18 inches in diameter is to be \$2.25 per day of 100 miles or less, and \$2.50 on engines having 18-inch cylinders or over. An increase of 15 cents per day of 100 miles or less is given to firemen on engines carrying a rate of \$2.50 or more.

In addition to the increase of pay, the firemen are to be relieved of all work of cleaning engines. The increase granted to the firemen is estimated to be about 10 per cent. The ratio to that recently granted to the conductors and trainmen.

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NOTICE

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, having determined that it is desirable to expropriate certain property on Rockland avenue, from Moss street to Oak Bay avenue, for the purpose of widening said avenue and to macadamize the roadway, tar surface and boulevard same, and construct a permanent sidewalk six feet wide on the South side. Also to grade, macadamize and drain Richardson street, from Moss street, to St. Charles street, and that each and every owner of land situated on the South side in accordance with the provision of the Local Improvement General By-Law and amendment thereto, and the City Engineer and Surveyor be and they are hereby authorized to execute the same, and the Council in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the said By-Law upon the said works of local improvement, giving satisfaction showing the amount charged in each case against the various portions of real property benefited thereby, and their reports having been adopted by the Council, notice is hereby given that the reports here referred to are open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, City Clerk's Office, Victoria, B. C., April 9th, 1907.

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PERSONAL

H. G. Ross returned from the mainland last evening.

Alex. McDermott was among the Victorians returning from the mainland by the Princess Victoria.

A. E. Macnaughton of Vancouver, is making his usual business visit to Victoria.

A. Hendles, formerly of the staff of the West End Grocery, has left his old position and is now one of the staff of Bond & Clarke's real estate office.

J. H. Brock of Winnipeg, general manager of Great West Life Assurance company, is in the city at the present time. Mr. Brock is registered at the Driard.

C. H. Fox of Vancouver, is visiting in the city. Mr. Fox is among the guests at the Driard Hotel.

S. J. Reid, formerly of the local Singer Sewing Machine agency, is now employed at Bond & Clarke's office. Mr. Reid is working on the outside and is devoting his attention to real estate.

C. H. Fox of Vancouver, the well-known real estate man, is in the city on a combined business and pleasure visit. He is registered at the Driard.

WORK AT PRINCE RUPERT

Agent McNicholl Says 250 Men Are to Be Sent

Vancouver, April 9.—"My mail calls for the shipping of supplies for two hundred and fifty men to Prince Rupert," said G. A. McNicholl, the newly arrived purchasing agent of the Grand Trunk Pacific, who will take charge of the commissariat department of the new line to the coast.

Mr. McNicholl's statement was made in answer to a query about the work being done in Prince Rupert and the possibility of the work closing down in the proposed terminals. Mr. McNicholl arrived on Sunday night to take the position which has just been created. He found a number of letters in the post office awaiting his arrival.

"I am to purchase the supplies for the different camps we have in operation along the line," said Mr. McNicholl. "It is wished to centralize the supply camps and so all orders for provisions of any character or matter of fact anything needed in the camps will come to me. In many cases it will save the time taken to send the orders direct to Montreal."

George Salloway, son of Principal F. Salloway, who underwent an operation for a poisoned hand in St. Joseph's hospital, is progressing favorably.

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AND

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BABY BUGGY, fancy willow body, rubber tired wheels, drop back and front, enamel gear, parasol and attachments

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BABY BUGGY, plush upholstered, plush trimmed, rubber tired wheels large elastic springs, parasol and attachments

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ADDITIONS TO STAFF

OF WHALING COMPANY

Queen City Takes Twenty-five Men to Stations on the West Coast

Steamer Queen City, Captain Townsend, sailed for the West Coast on Sunday night with a full cargo and a large number of passengers. Included among the passengers were twenty-five men who are being sent out by the Pacific Whaling and Trading company.

This company has now about eighty-five men in its employ at the stations at Sechart and Narrows Cut Inlet. At the former station many improvements are being made to the equipment and when these are completed the company will be in a much better condition to handle whales than ever before.

At Narrows Cut Inlet, work is being rushed along at a good rate and it is expected that the station will be in operation in time for the spring and summer hunting. The steamers to the West Coast are loaded to their capacity every trip and the Otter has been chartered to take the freight that has yet to be shipped.

On the Queen City there was a large consignment of machinery for the station at Sechart and the next trip of the vessel will see much of the plant for the new station on board.

The Orion, which makes her headquarters at Sechart, has received a thorough overhauling and is ready for the season's work, while the Alexander, was cleaned and repaired before she was sent to the coast.

CASCADE IN PORT

Experiences Rough Weather on Trip to Egg Island Lighthouse

The little steamer Cascade, having Captain Gaudin of the marine and fisheries department on board, arrived in the harbor after a very stormy

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passage from Egg Island lighthouse. The steamer left Vancouver March 29. Arriving at Egg Island April 1, it was found impossible to land, and it was not until Saturday last that a landing was effected. Several workmen and much material was landed at Egg Island, and on the return trip some material was put ashore at Pine Island.

The Cascade left Vancouver on Sunday and immediately ran into a strong southeasterly gale, which compelled her to run for shelter. The Quadra was seen at Comox, being forced to take shelter from the wind and await favorable weather to carry supplies to the northern lighthouses.

The Cascade called at Ladysmith for bunker coal and then came on to Victoria.

WIRELESS ON PRESIDENT

The installation of the wireless telegraph system on the steamer President, now on her way around the Horn to Seattle, has proved highly satisfactory, and several messages have been received, giving the welcome news that the ship was progressing very favorably on her long journey.

Two messages were received in New York, and by a careful calculation it is estimated that the second message traveled 1700 miles. It is expected that the next place the steamer will be heard from will be Acapulco.

From this port it will be possible to send messages to the warships which are now at practice in Magdalena Bay, and it is very likely that the new steamer will announce her approach to San Francisco at least eight days before her arrival.

The President is due to arrive at San Francisco on May 10 and at Seattle on May 15. Her first trip on the Pacific Coast will be a voyage to Nome, leaving Seattle June 4.

FREIGHT FOR NOME

Applications for Space Now Being Received in Seattle

Steamship companies which operate vessels on the Seattle-Nome route this season are already receiving applications for freight space, and it looks as if there would be a very heavy traffic to the northern metropolis.

Already several steamers are being put in readiness, and the departure of the first vessel is expected to be much earlier than has been the case in the past. The first vessel to get away will be the Corwin, which is booked to sail May 10, and most of her space has been engaged at \$40 per ton, provided she reaches Nome before any other vessel. Should she

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fall in reaching Nome first, the regular rate of \$15 per ton will be charged the shippers. The regular sailings, however, will not be inaugurated until June 1. The vessels scheduled for that date are: Senator, 1835 tons, Captain Lloyd; Victoria, 2112, Captain Weaver; Pelades, 2632, Captain Purrrington; Ohio, 2972, Captain Brown.

June 2—Olympia, 1730 tons, Captain Croskey.

June 3—Pennsylvania, 2667 tons, Captain Blaine.

June 4—President, 2993 tons, Captain Patterson.

June 5—Northwestern, 2324 tons, Captain Truebridge; Lyra, 3516 tons, Captain Armstrong.

June 8—Seward, now being built for the Alaskan trade.

June 10—John C. Howard, 921 tons, Captain Folsen; Edith, 1495 tons, Captain Jones; Mackinaw, 2605 tons, Captain Moody; Leelanaw, 1378 tons, Captain Jameson; Thyades, 2932 tons, Captain Alwen.

MARINE NOTES

At an investigation at Seattle, before United States Marine Inspectors Turner and Whitney, a decision was rendered finding William Balille, second officer of the steamship Eureka, at fault for the vessel striking a rock in the Straits, while en route from Seattle to San Francisco. His licence was suspended for one month. The second officer was on the bridge at the time and had full charge of the vessel.

The steamer Camosun of the Union Steamship Company will sail for northern British Columbia ports this evening. She will have a full cargo, including 40 tons of general merchandise from Victoria, as well as 15,000 feet of lumber and 885 cases of tin. She will also have 20 first-class passengers from this port and 40 Chinese. She will sail at 10 o'clock.

Captain Francke, who was in command of the Great Northern liner Dakota when she ran ashore in Tokio Bay on the afternoon of March 2, has taken passage on the Japanese liner Tango for Seattle. He said before leaving that the accident to the Dakota was caused by the failure of the vessel to answer her helm, owing to the influence of new currents. He had changed her course three times, but without avail.

TICKET STEALERS SENTENCED

New Westminster, April 9.—Allan J. Abney, formerly C.P.R. night watchman, was sentenced to eighteen months and Xelrer Barneau to twelve months by Judge Bole for stealing tickets valued at \$500 from the C. P. R. station. Both men had pleaded guilty and the tickets were found in their trunks. After sentence had been passed Judge Bole complimented C. P. R. Detective Bullock, City Detective Bradshaw, and Provincial Constable Spain on their smart work in bringing the men to justice.